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Under the watchful eye of Al Gore (right), an animated George W. Bush (center) responds to a question from the town hall audience during the Oct. 17 presidential debate.

Washington University hosts final presidential debate

The third presidential debate of the 2000 campaign brought tens of millions of American viewers and additional millions worldwide into the Washington University Field House, where Texas Gov. George W. Bush and Vice President Al Gore sparred for 90 minutes over issues ranging from health care to tax cuts to the death penalty to world peace Tuesday, Oct. 17.

A somber note prevailed as Janet Brown, executive director of the Commission on Presidential Debates (CPD), addressed the crowd and offered sympathy to the families of Missouri Gov. Mel Carnahan, his son Randy and a

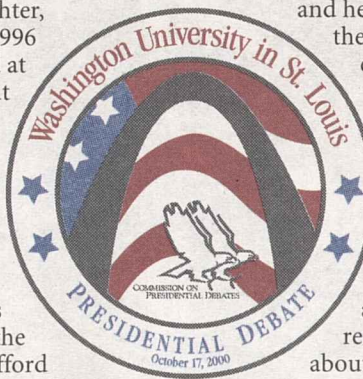
top adviser, Chris Sifford, who all perished Monday night in a plane crash in Jefferson County, south of St. Louis. They were en route to a Carnahan Senate campaign rally in New Madrid, Mo.

In fact, the Carnahan tragedy earlier had raised the possibility of canceling or postponing the debate, but Brown noted that the debate's focus on public policy and public service and its audience of Missouri citizens made the event "a fitting way to honor him."

CPD co-chairs Frank J. Fahrenkopf Jr. and Paul G. Kirk Jr. both addressed the audience. "We're four years late but delighted to be back," Kirk said to

appreciative laughter, referring to the 1996 debate scheduled at the University but then canceled, and the 1992 debate held in the Field House.

Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton also spoke, adding his condolences for the Carnahan and Sifford families. "This is a sad day for us in Missouri," he said. Wrighton introduced Student Union President Michelle Purdy and Robert H. Waterston, M.D., the James S. McDonnell Professor



and head of genetics at the School of Medicine, who welcomed the audience on behalf of the students and faculty.

The event offered sharp exchanges, occasional humor and one emotional response from Bush about the death penalty, saying that some of his "hardest moments" came when he had to enforce the law and send a prisoner to his death. "I'm not proud of my record," he said in reply to a questioner's suggestion

that he relished this role. "The death penalty is very serious. But I was sworn to uphold the laws in my state."

The two candidates sat on stools facing a "town hall" audience in tiered, circular rows of seats at the north end of the Field House. Jim Lehrer, executive editor and anchor of PBS' "NewsHour with Jim Lehrer" moderated the debate and tried, sometimes in vain, to enforce the rules of engagement the candidates had set.

Questioners from the audience addressed their queries directly to the candidates but were not allowed to engage in further exchange; their microphones were turned off as soon as they had finished their questions.

Powerful theatrical lighting bathed the candidates and the town hall set. A huge boom carrying a television camera floated above the set. Six broadcast platforms towered at the south end of the Field House, offering the major network cameras a bird's-eye view of the proceedings.

A crowd of about 900 — media, dignitaries, invited guests and more than 150 Washington University students — occupied the Field House's upper bleacher seats, ushered there by 20 student volunteers. Among the many luminaries were Democratic vice presidential candidate Joe Lieberman, former Missouri Sen. John Danforth and a large contingent from Anheuser-Busch Cos. Inc., the debates' national sponsor.

Secret Service agents surveyed the room and talked into microphones in their sleeves. Officials

Bush, Gore tackle range of issues in face-off

By BETSY ROGERS

Before an attentive crowd of some 900 ticket-holders and about 140 "town hall" audience members, Texas Gov. George W. Bush and Vice President Al Gore matched wits Tuesday, Oct. 17, discussing a wide range of substantive issues in the third and last presidential debate of the campaign season, held in the Washington University Athletic Complex.

True to predictions, Gore was more combative than he was in the Oct. 11 debate at Wake Forest University, but somewhat more subdued in his body language than during the first match, when his audible sighs and frequent head-shaking elicited considerable post-debate comment.

Bush, who some worried

would fumble against Gore's superior debating skills, again avoided the fractured syntax of his past campaign appearances and, though he was generally polite, expressed exasperation with the way Gore flouted the debate's rules of engagement by speaking out of turn and exceeding the time limit.

The debate began with a moment of silence honoring the late Mel Carnahan, governor of Missouri and candidate for the U.S. Senate, who was killed in a plane crash the night before on his way to a campaign rally in New Madrid, Mo.

Then it was straight to the questions — all from the town hall participants on the Field House floor, who had been selected by the Gallup organization because they were undecided

voters. The first came from a woman who asked Gore how he felt about HMOs and insurance companies making critical medical decisions. "I don't feel good about it," Gore replied, asserting that "the situation has gotten completely out of hand" when doctors' medical decisions are overruled by insurance companies. Gore said he supports a strong patients' bill of rights.

Bush discussed his success in Texas passing a patients' bill of rights there with the support of Democrats and Republicans. Under this measure, he added, Texas became one of the first states to permit patients to sue their HMOs.

Gore challenged the governor, charging that the national bill the Republicans support is one favored by big business. When

Lehrer pressed Bush about the difference between the two positions, Bush shot back: "The difference is I can get it done!" He said the Texas bill passed because he brought all sides together. "It's time for our nation to come together to do what's right," he concluded, stressing a theme to which he returned repeatedly during the evening.

The conversation then turned to education. A questioner expressed concern that parents are apathetic and disengaged from their children's education. How, she wondered, can parents be held accountable along with students and teachers?

Bush acknowledged her frustration and said if he could pass a law requiring mothers and fathers to be good parents, he

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University students volunteer 6,500 hours on debate

BY DAVID LINZEE

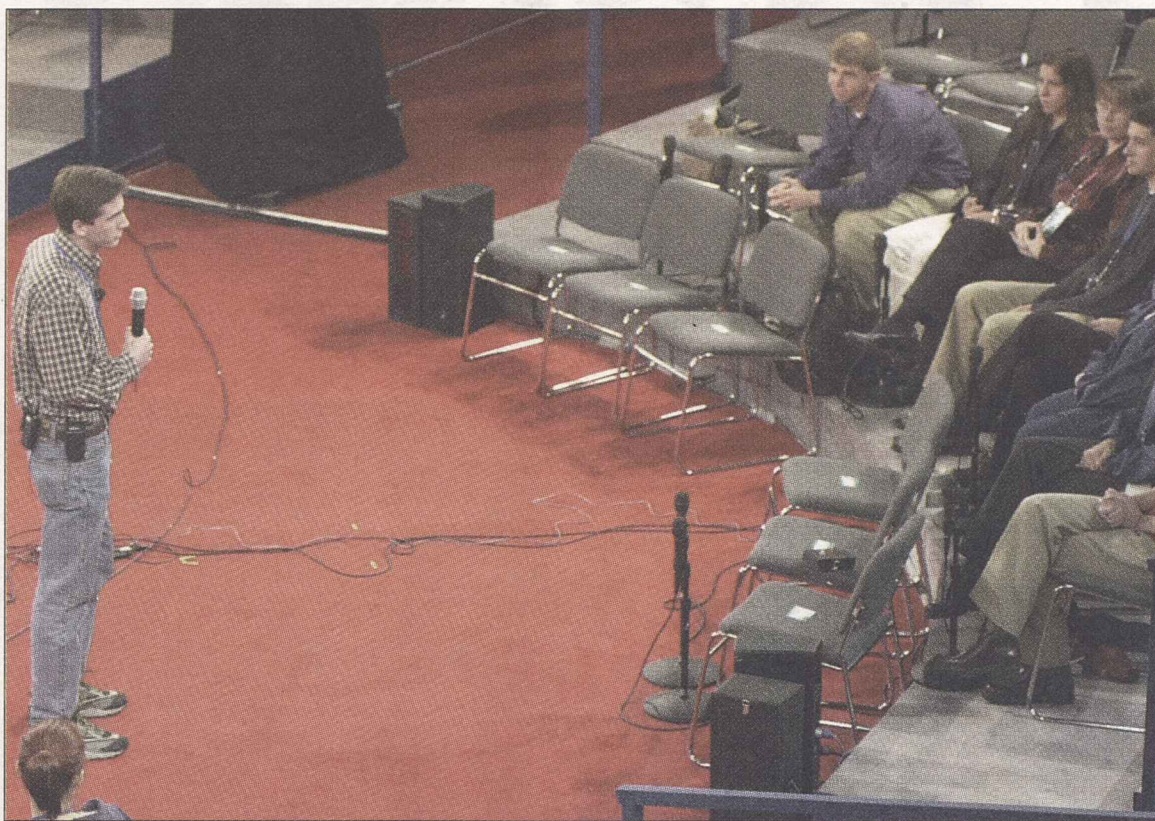
More than 200 Washington University students volunteered 6,500 hours of their time to help make the campus ready for the Oct. 17 presidential debate and ensure that the event went smoothly.

Some painted signs, laid cable and helped in other ways to transform the Athletic Complex into a television studio. Others spent most of the past weekend in the Commission on Presidential Debates (CPD) office. Still others were in the Athletic Complex on Tuesday, checking tickets, passing out programs, distributing cushions for the bleachers and running errands.

Many students, told on Tuesday that they would not get debate tickets, volunteered their services in the final hours before the debate. One of the jobs found for them was riding on the shuttle buses between campus and the Muny Opera parking lot in Forest Park, answering questions about the University and the event for arriving reporters.

John Heys, a senior majoring in English in Arts & Sciences, stood in for George W. Bush during a camera rehearsal. People standing in for "town hall" participants asked him questions, and he moved about the circular stage answering them, as the candidates were expected to do. The run-through took about 15 minutes, but seemed much longer.

"It was intimidating," Heys said. "I don't know if the technicians were even listening, but I wanted to show some intelligence in my answers." He was in no



Senior English major John Heys stands in for George W. Bush during a camera rehearsal in the Field House's town hall debate set Oct. 17.

danger of breaking into a sweat, though, because the room was very cold, chilled to help the candidates stay cool under the powerful theatrical lighting. Heys is undecided about whom he'll vote for, but he has a lot more sympathy for both candidates.

Jonathan Graas spent a hectic Saturday running errands for the CPD. "They sent me to the airport, to the copy shop, to the dime store to buy string," he said. "But the commission workers let us know

"There's been so much controversy and criticism of the debates, from the Bush camp before they decided to participate and lately from groups like O17, that I wanted to see the other side."

JENNIFER HITCHON

they appreciated us. They said they couldn't do it without us."

A veteran of several local campaigns in his native Louisville,

Ky., Grass found it exciting to be working on a national event. "People are impressed when you say where you're calling from," he said. "And it's fun taking calls from Jim Lehrer's staff." Graas, who is working toward a master's degree in comparative literature in Arts & Sciences, found it worthwhile to take time off from his studies "to get involved in something larger than myself."

Jennifer Hitchon also volunteered to work in the commission office. "There's been so much controversy and criticism of the debates, from the Bush camp before they decided to participate and lately from groups like O17, that I wanted to see the other side," she said. Hitchon, from Iowa City, Iowa, is a junior majoring in political science and Arabic in Arts & Sciences.

Allen Cowgill, a sophomore from Cincinnati, issued credentials, an assignment involving checking University IDs and making sure that applicants had reasons to be in the Athletic Complex. "It's fun to get inside the hall and see how it all works — how the campaigns, the media and the commission fit together," said Cowgill, who hasn't decided how he'll vote.

Brian Gunia, an economics major in Arts & Sciences from Chicago, wanted to get as close to the action as possible. He was pleased when he was assigned to escort a Bush aide around the labyrinth that the complex had become for the debate. "It was crazy," he said. "There were a lot of people, and security was tight."

The Secret Service wouldn't allow him to carry some Bush signs into the building until he showed that the poles they were on were foam rubber, not wood. Gunia, who is active in conservative organizations on campus, was a Bush supporter going into the debates, and contact with Bush's aides confirmed his opinion. "I was impressed by the genuineness with which they spoke," he said.

John Ventura also was in the debate hall Tuesday. He helped escort the town hall participants, who arrived by bus in the afternoon, around the building. "The debate commission was extremely concerned that they would be contacted by the media, but that wasn't a problem," he said. Once the participants were seated in the debate hall, he was free to join the audience. Ventura, a senior majoring in English in Arts & Sciences, is from the Chicago area. The debate strengthened his support for Bush.

Leaning toward Gore but impressed with the performances of both candidates was Dwyla Beard, a business major from Nashville. "I've been indifferent in the past," she admitted, "but it's important to know who's running the country." Her job as an usher allowed her a good view of the debate. "Being there makes you get more into it," she said. "You can see the candidates' interactions and get a better sense of their personalities than on TV."



More than 150 lucky students won the lottery for tickets to the Oct. 17 debate.

Lucky lottery winners see candidates debate live

BY JESSICA ROBERTS

When Washington University made presidential debate tickets available only to students, the response was enthusiastic. Some 6,600, or more than half the University's current student population, applied for tickets. Those who registered did so with optimism, considering no one knew how many tickets the Commission on Presidential Debates (CPD) would make available.

A high-tech lottery determined which registered students would receive tickets. Sue Hosack, director of the Office of Student Records, explained that students submitted their names electronically to the debate Web site. The application process closed at noon Friday, Oct. 13. A computer then

randomly assigned numbers to all the applicants, and the top 300 received notification e-mails. During the lottery, there was still no information about the number of tickets available for the debate.

Stephanie N. Kurtzman, coordinator of Women's Programs and Community Service, presided over the next stage of the process. On Monday, the CPD made 100 tickets available to students for distribution. After Kurtzman notified the first 100 students from the lottery, a second group of 150 students was selected as alternates. This standby group received e-mail asking them to wait in a "holding area" outside of the security perimeter in case of no-shows in the first group. In the end, more than 150 students received tickets.

Students chosen through the

lottery were excited about watching the presidential debate from inside the hall.

"I was honored to be selected in the debate lottery, especially knowing what the odds were," said Ryan Hillenbrand, a University College in Arts & Sciences student from St. Louis. "This was the closest I've ever been to the political process. The cameras, celebrities and Secret Service agents made for a very exciting time. I was proud to be part of Washington University as it was put in the national spotlight."

Paul Jacobson, a senior history and Spanish major in Arts & Sciences from Marlboro, N.J., was equally enthusiastic. "I got in as an alternate," he explained, excited at the chance to hear the debate and support Al Gore.

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from the Commission on Presidential Debates were on the job, helping check people as they entered.

The presence and activities of protesters were the event's wild card going into the evening. Protesters, however, who had

listened to a speech by Green Party candidate Ralph Nader at 5 p.m. in nearby Northmoor Park, milled around the perimeter of the campus but were generally peaceful. In fact, at the official demonstration venue on the intramural fields at the corner of Forsyth and Big Bend boulevards, members of the Chinese Falun Dafa sect spent the early evening sitting crosslegged in quiet meditation on behalf of the Falun Gong in China (see story on page 9).

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Welcome to 'Spin Alley's' manic scene

By JESSICA ROBERTS

After watching the heated, high-stakes final debate between Vice President Al Gore and Texas Gov. George W. Bush, "spin doctors" poured into the media filing center ready to spend a few moments with reporters and photographers in the manic intensity of "Spin Alley."

The Recreational Gymnasium in the Athletic Complex, converted for the occasion to a bustling media room, served as the platform for spin doctors prepared to let each member of the press know who won the third and final debate. They ranged from the traditional (former Missouri Sen. John Danforth) to the unconventional (activist Erin Brockovich). However, they shared common goals — analyzing and reiterating their candidate's debate positions and debunking the messages of his opponent.

Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Andrew Cuomo summed up the thoughts of many of the spin doctors when he said that people's reaction to what they saw in the debates would be a "frame" for what happens in the voting booth.

Overall, though, the spin doctors toed party lines when it came to discussing which candidate was most successful.

Bush's experts, who included a number of political figures such as Danforth and Gov. Bill Graves (R-Kan.), touted Bush's success in the match. Bush's experts asserted his strength and experience with important issues.

Gore's group included a number of high-profile celebrities — satirist Al Franken, Star

Jones and Brockovich in addition to regular Democratic supporters such as U.S. Rep. and House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt. Like Bush's spin doctors, Gore's backers declared their candidate the clear winner of the debate, because Gore expressed commitment to the programs people value and to the continuation of the last eight years' economic success.

The experts were quick to point out the other candidate's weaknesses in the debate as well. Karl Rowe, director of Bush's presidential campaign, called Gore's performance "condescending and self-absorbed ... His assaults were not put well." Cuomo stated Bush "has ideas, but he's unsure about what he's talking about."

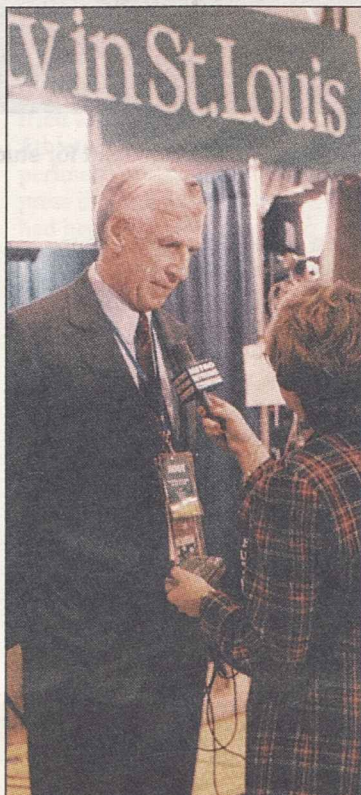
Though the barring of third-party candidates continued to be a controversial topic even up to the time of the debate, the majority of the spin doctors agreed that there was no place for a third candidate in this final face-off. Both Danforth and Franken cited a lack of support necessary to place an additional candidate in any of this year's debates. "You have to ask," Franken noted, "what is the threshold for letting a third candidate or party into a debate ... is there actually any support?"

A sense of urgency surrounded this year's final debate, considered by many to be key to the election's outcome. The chaotic atmosphere of Spin Alley reflected that belief, with the spinners jumping at the chance to assert their partisan views in the microphones of willing journalists.

Other notables drawing attention in Spin Alley included Gov. Christine Todd Whitman (R-N.J.) and film director Rob Reiner.



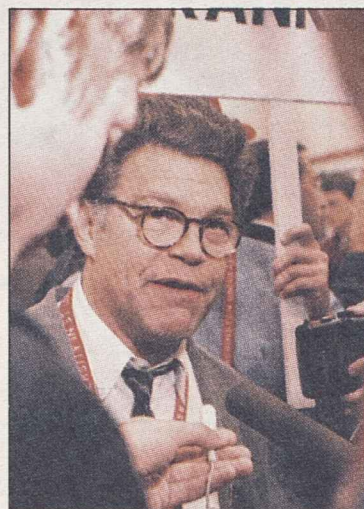
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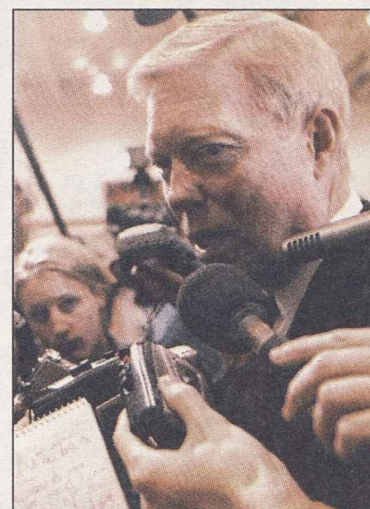
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Politicians and Hollywood celebrities were among the "spin doctors" commenting on the Oct. 17 presidential debate in Spin Alley in the Athletic Complex's Recreational Gym. Clockwise from top left, they are: Erin Brockovich, whose life story was the subject of a successful movie last year; vice-presidential candidate Joseph Lieberman, senator from Connecticut; U.S. Rep. and House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt; comedian and satirist Al Franken; Hollywood director Rob Reiner; and former Sen. John Danforth.

Candidates' top economic advisers spar in preliminary debate

By HOLLY EDMISTON

In a tone of restrained combativeness, two veterans of the national economics scene debated their candidates' views on economic policy in a pre-debate held at the John M. Olin School of Business Tuesday, Oct. 17, the morning of the presidential debate. In a discussion where the numbers often did not agree, Lawrence Lindsey and Gene Sperling discussed their candidates' economic plans. John M. Berry, economics columnist for the Washington Post, moderated the event.

Lindsey, a former Federal Reserve Board governor and the Arthur F. Burns Scholar in Economics at the American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research in Washington, D.C., presented the case for Bush. Sperling, assistant to the president for economic policy and director of the National Economic Council, detailed the Gore plan.

The event was sponsored by the University's Center for the Study of American Business and the St. Louis Gateway Chapter of the National Association for Business Economics. The audience of more than 300 people listened attentively as the two men first outlined the key points of their candidates' plans and then debated as they answered questions Berry posed.

Chief among the issues discussed was Social Security.

"Our view is that Social Security is the one part of the retirement system that is supposed to be a rock-solid

benefit," Sperling said. "It should not be dependent on the ups and downs of the market or the economy."

The Gore plan proposes to use the savings on interest from debt reduction to fund both Social Security and Medicare in the long term. By using the \$300 billion reserve surplus now to pay down debt, Sperling said, Social Security would be solvent to 2054.

Lindsey disagreed, accusing

the Gore plan of overspending. Using numbers from the Congressional Budget Office, he said that under the Bush program, the surplus will rise slightly from where we are now, around \$250 billion, to \$350 billion by the end of the decade.

"The Gore plan is the wrong prescription for the economy in a business sense," said Lindsey. He termed the Bush economic strategy, which would allow individuals to maintain

diversified portfolios with their Social Security benefits, the tightest fiscal plan on record. "Are we going to maintain Social Security with only political promises or by putting real assets into the system?" he asked.

Social Security was not the only point of contention. Sperling and Lindsey also held differing views on President Clinton's recent dip into oil reserves.

"The petroleum reserve is set

up for war or a national crisis," said Lindsey, citing Bush campaign opposition to the move and the way it was handled.

Sperling responded that 14.6 million barrels of oil were available for home heating needs last year, as opposed to just 4 million in inventory for the coming winter season. "We acted to prevent a shortage, and I think it was reasonable under the established criteria," he said.

Lindsey also was critical of Gore's proposed tax credits. Often linked to specific activities, such as child care, elder care or college tuition, Lindsey said the proposals help only the selected people and that 50 million taxpayers would get nothing.

"What we care about is a tax code that works better for American families," Sperling responded, "and we are targeting tax cuts for those people earning less than \$100,000 per year." Under the Bush plan, he added, surplus funds would go mostly to people at the highest income levels.

"It's been eight years of keeping our fingers crossed," said Lindsey in summation. "We are \$1.1 trillion in the hole since '93, Medicare is still broken, and our defense and foreign policies are weaker. We need to solve these problems and we need tax reform."

Sperling retaliated: "The problem is that the Bush plan is over budget by \$1 trillion. They're hoping the economy just keeps growing and growing so that all their budget projections will make sense in the long run ... that is not a prudent way to go into the future."



MARY BURNIS

About 300 people take advantage of a Center for the Study of American Business pre-debate on economic policy Oct. 17, featuring Lawrence Lindsey (seated left), an adviser to Texas Gov. George W. Bush, and Gene Sperling, assistant to President Clinton. Washington Post economics columnist John M. Berry (at podium) was moderator of the early-morning face-off at the John M. Olin School of Business.

Long hours, hard work — and the chance to be part of history

By JULIE KENNEDY

Long days and hard work at Washington University paid off in a successful and well-orchestrated presidential debate and, for the staff across campus who threw themselves into the effort, in an opportunity to be part of a historic event.

Behind the scenes, staff members helped out in many ways — assisting with security, arranging parking and transportation, transforming the Field House, documenting the event for posterity, printing banners and signs, organizing the student volunteers and meeting the needs of the major networks and other media.

Among those pitching in to put on the final presidential debate of the 2000 campaign was **Alisa Schneider**, Career Center manager, who organized the student volunteers. By the Sept. 15 deadline, she had received about 600 applications, which she prescreened. A selection committee made up of students, faculty and staff read the applications and then matched students with jobs in their areas of interest.

Then came the hard part. "I was responsible for contacting and placing them based on their schedules," Schneider said. As of Oct. 13, about 220 students had been placed, but new needs were arising daily. Like many staff members helping out on the debate, she's had to focus most of her time over the last two weeks on debate responsibilities (see separate story on page 2.)

University Police Chief **Don Strom** and his department also spent countless hours preparing. Providing security for an event of national and international significance is a demanding task. He helped to coordinate the efforts of police departments in St. Louis County, St. Louis City, University City and Clayton, as well as the Secret Service.

"It's a real partnership between



Marilyn Pollack, director of financial planning and management for student services, organized parking and transportation services for the debate.

all law enforcement," he said last week. "We're pooling resources to provide safety for the area and for the campus community."

The debate focused a national spotlight on the campus as staff worked with the media and the candidates' teams. **T.J. Shelton**, assistant athletic director, and **Cherie Moore**, accounting manager, fielded phone calls and e-mails from networks and affiliates who ordered tables, chairs, copiers, fax machines and even refrigerators.

Moore said neither campaign had requested anything more extravagant than leather sofas and chairs for the candidates' holding rooms, although Gore's people ordered three sofas. Bush's camp replaced the pipe-and-drape dividers surrounding its TV satellite editing area in "Spin Alley" with modular walls and

made a small room with a door.

Moore called her operation the central communications point — requests came in and she passed them on to others to fulfill. Moore also had the job of securing payment for items ordered. She said her biggest challenge was finding the right person to talk to at the networks and finding the right people to pay the bills.

On top of his debate duties, Shelton and the rest of the athletic department still had to coordinate varsity sports. The Homecoming football game was Saturday, and the men's soccer team played a home game Monday.

Marilyn Pollack, director of financial planning and management for student services, had the daunting task with Gary Sparks of organizing parking and transportation.

"The experience of organizing

and providing a service for the debate gives one a great appreciation for the teamwork that is required and the complexity involved in producing this event," Pollack said of the logistical parking and shuttle challenges she faced. Pollack's only debate responsibilities in 1992 (when the University hosted a debate among George Bush, Bill Clinton and Ross Perot) were paying the bills. "Oh, how I long for those days," she said with a laugh.

Last-minute Secret Service requests were the trickiest needs to meet. And each campaign brought many vehicles for press, VIPs and staff, ranging from sedans to 50-passenger buses. "Accommodating convenient parking and access was often a challenge," she said.

Members of the **Public Affairs staff** worked hard to

meet media needs, preparing press kits, briefing reporters and managing the media filing center. They also promoted the University's role in DebateWatch, organized the remote viewing sites around campus and documented the University's role in the debate through photographs and video.

In addition, the staff created and updated the debate Web site; designed, produced and installed many signs and banners around campus and at the Athletic Complex; and oversaw student designers in the creation of debate posters, T-shirts, pins and other items.

The staff of the Facilities

Department helped transform the Field House into a TV studio (see separate story on page 5). Ralph Thaman, associate vice chancellor of facilities planning and management, said 15 members of his staff oversaw the scores of contractors hired to implement the requirements of the Commission on Presidential Debates (CPD). Facilities personnel did most of the wiring needed in the media center (Recreational Gym) themselves, Thaman added. The department also oversaw the last-minute beautification of campus, as new flowers were planted and other improvements made to make sure the campus looked its best.

Carole Prietto, the University archivist, documented this piece of history for posterity. Prietto said she has reminded people to save samples of debate memorabilia such as T-shirts and posters, just as she did for the debate in 1992. A thorough archivist, she had 12 boxes of memorabilia from 1992. Prietto also took notes at meetings of the steering committee, which met weekly and then daily as the debate neared. And she dug up records from 1992 to use as resource material for this debate; one request, for example, sought information about the 1992 student lottery procedure.

"I'm being helpful wherever I can be helpful," she said.

Keeping his finger on the pulse of all these activities was **Steve Givens**, special assistant to the chancellor and chair of the steering committee overseeing preparations. Givens served as liaison between the CPD and the University, making sure the University was doing everything necessary.

The agenda for steering committee meetings typically covered facilities, media, security, ticketing, student volunteers, parking and transportation, student programming and more. Givens was the University spokesperson as well, granting interviews to newspapers, television and radio stations around the country. And he sat in on daily meetings with the CPD and the candidates' staffs, making sure everything was progressing well.

The day after the debate, a weary but contented

Givens expressed his satisfaction with the event. "I'm really happy with everything," he said.

Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton offered

heartfelt thanks to all those working on the debate. "We have been blessed with an extraordinary team of volunteers — students, faculty and staff — who have been working around the clock to transform the Athletic Complex into a television studio and a massive communications center for approximately 2,000 members of the media," he said. "The ... members of the Commission on Presidential Debates and others who were here to produce the event have been extremely positive in their praise for the University."



Givens: Manager extraordinaire

For basketball coaches, 'spin' and 'bounce' get new meaning

By JULIE KENNEDY

In the offices of the University's basketball coaches this week, "spin" and "bounce" had little to do with basketball. Instead, they took on their political meanings as the coaches vacated to make room for the presidential candidates.

Far from being annoyed, Nancy Fahey and Mark Edwards were proud of their contributions.

"It's exciting to think your office is going to be used by someone who may determine history," said Edwards, the men's head basketball coach.

Fahey, head coach of the women's basketball team, said she had become accustomed to important-looking people coming in and out of her office during preparations, and to contractors crawling around and over her desk.

"We've already experienced it once [in 1992]," Fahey said. "It's a neat experience — to be a small part of it, especially such a closely watched race."

VIPs have used the offices many times over the years. In fact, years ago Edwards began leaving a basketball in his office for dignitaries to sign. He's gathered six autographs over the years: Bill Bradley, Jesse Jackson, Bill Gates, Bill Clinton, George Bush (the father) and Jimmy Carter.

Fahey said she also offers a ball for her guests to sign, although she came to the tradition more recently. Her signees are Hillary Rodham

Clinton and Spike Lee. Both coaches left a ball out again for their latest guests.

This time George W. Bush signed Edwards' ball, and Al Gore signed Fahey's.

Once again, the basketballs were as close as Fahey and Edwards came to meeting the candidates.

However, signed basketballs aren't the only perks involved.

"Nancy got a bathroom out of it last time," Edwards said. "She has the only office in the Athletic Complex with a bathroom." In 1992, a temporary bathroom was built outside Fahey's office. In 1996, for the debate that was

eventually canceled, a permanent bathroom was built in her office.

Fahey said that first bathroom garnered much attention. "We were on TV in '92," she recalled. "It's funny, we'd been trying to get people to cover us (the basketball team), but they came to do a story on the bathroom."



Basketball coaches Mark Edwards and Nancy Fahey show off their newest autographs. They vacated their offices for presidential candidates George W. Bush and Al Gore.

DAVID KILMER

Huge effort transforms Field House into TV set

By DIANE DUKE WILLIAMS

When the lights went up and Jim Lehrer introduced Vice President Al Gore and Texas Gov. George W. Bush in the last presidential debate of 2000, all eyes were on Washington University's "town hall." The Field House was awash in a patriotic sea of red carpet and blue curtains, with no hint of hardwood basketball courts, the squeak of gym shoes or the cheers of sports fans.

The Athletic Complex had been closed since Oct. 9, when University employees, carpenters, electricians, technicians and a host of other workers began debate preparations in earnest. In the Field House, University employees installed special air-conditioning ducts to keep the room at 64 degrees so the candidates would remain comfortable under the studio lights. They also built six special platforms to accommodate each of the television networks — ABC, CBS, NBC, Fox, CNN and C-SPAN.

These platforms, behind the town hall set, rose 7 feet and measured 12 feet by 18 feet, said Steven G. Rackers, manager of the Division of Capital Projects and Records. Additionally, Paramount Convention Services hung heavy velour drapes, some more than 60 feet long, along the gymnasium's interior walls to improve acoustics.

Sachs Communications and University employees installed 2,000 new phone lines in the Athletic Complex, and Aggreko Inc. added electrical power to surface lots for media. Workers also laid 53 miles of fiber-optic cables — about the distance between St. Louis and Wright City — and installed 4,000 electrical outlets.

Top Care Lawn Service Inc. planted masses of bright yellow mums, mulched the flowerbeds and made the grass greener. "In general, they freshened up the place," Rackers said.

The presidential debate required the use of 5,000,000 more watts of electricity than normal at the Athletic Complex, according to Edward V. McMullin, manager of the Division of Technical Operations. Aggreko provided electrical



Members of Southwestern Bell's technical operations team wire the telephone mainframe for the conversion of the Athletic Complex to a national presidential debate venue.

power with University systems providing back-up.

Rackers said hosting the debate in 1992 and preparing for another in 1996 made the transformation easier this time. "A lot of holes we had to drill were already there. And much of the infrastructure for the electrical power needed in the building was already here, so this has been much easier than in 1992, when we only had six days to prepare," he said. For the 2000 debate, the University began planning in January.

Even though Rackers has prepared for three debates, he said working on one remains exciting. "People do pull together on it, and it's still a big event."

credits bypass 50 million Americans, leaving them without tax relief.

Foreign policy surfaced when a town hall participant asked each candidate why he would be the best person in office during a Middle East crisis. Bush applauded President Clinton's efforts in the current crisis and acknowledged that the country should speak with one voice on foreign policy. He said it's important to be steady, not to base policies on polls and focus groups; and the nation, he added, must be willing to stand by its friends.

"I see a future when the world is at peace," Gore replied. He claimed that the U.S. military is the strongest in "the entire history of the world," and he cited his Vietnam service and his legislative work on military and security issues.

The town hall's undecided voters proved to be keen questioners indeed, asking about gun control, the pressures on family farms, the breakdown in morality and the decadence in popular culture, affirmative action, capital punishment and truthfulness in politics.

A college professor expressed concern about apathy among young people. Gore said cam-

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The Recreational Gym became the media filing center, with 202 white and blue tables set up for the more than 1,600 journalists covering the event. Each of the 606 work stations had electrical outlets and access lines for computer terminals. Along one wall of the room was "Spin Alley," a series of 15 blue-

curtained booths where political pundits, or "spin doctors," gave reporters their take on who won the debate and why.

In Francis Gymnasium, workers put up 20 curtained cubicles, each with its own power supply, for television network affiliates. C-SPAN's network office occupied a third of the gym on the west end.

The Commission on Presidential Debates (CPD) began constructing the town hall set Saturday at the north

end of the Field House.

Gore and Bush, who were stationed at stools next to tables, had a 24-foot circle in which to move around, said set designer Michael Foley (*see related story below*). The blue panels behind the candidates were 14 feet tall and 64 feet across; six pie-shaped seating wedges each held 24 town hall participants. A VIP box for the Bush family was constructed above the right center seats; one for the Gore family was constructed above the left center seats.

"Washington University has been one of the easier sites," said Joani Komlos, the media director of the CPD, "because they've had a debate before. And the facility is perfect, with the hall and the filing center both right here. This is almost a dream site, and the University has been great to work with."

Bush, Gore

Questioners raise range of issues

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would. But he argued that making classrooms safe, holding schools accountable, measuring performance and expecting high standards would help. Bush condemned the "soft bigotry of low expectations."

In his response, Gore spoke of a vision. "I see a day when all our schools are excellent, when there are no failing schools," he said. He argued for universal preschool, hiring bonuses to help recruit teachers and a \$10,000 tuition tax credit for low- and middle-income families. He attacked Bush's support for vouchers, which would help parents remove their children from failing schools and enroll them in other public or private schools.

Frequently the two tangled on tax cut proposals as they talked about programs they support. Gore repeated his familiar refrain that Bush's tax cut plan benefits chiefly the wealthy, and Bush charged that Gore's targeted tax

paign finance reform is key to encouraging voters, young and old, and said it was the political power of big industry that fosters apathy.

For his part, Bush said: "I think people are sick and tired of the bitterness in Washington, D.C., and don't want to have any part of it." He pledged to shoot straight, to set aside partisan bickering and to work to improve the tone of the national discourse.

For the audience, the chance to see the event live was a rare opportunity. John Jacobs, an executive vice president at Anheuser-Busch Cos. Inc., said that — though he'd decided whom to vote for — he was looking forward to hearing what each candidate had to say. For senior Paul Jacobson, a senior majoring in history and Spanish in Arts & Sciences, the event was a chance to support his candidate — Gore — who he said is positioned to continue the progress the nation has made during the last eight years.

Student Union President Michelle Purdy, who addressed the crowd before the debate, put it this way: "I'm grateful to be part of history in the making. This is a momentous occasion that we will never forget."

Designer: set was 'cakewalk'

By DIANE DUKE WILLIAMS

"This was a cakewalk," said set designer Michael Foley, when describing the "town hall" set for the last presidential debate of 2000. In 1996, Foley had to shoehorn a similar set into the University of San Diego's Shiley Theater, a facility one-third the size of the Field House.

Thanks to Foley's design, the Field House had been completely transformed into a town hall when the Oct. 17 debate began. The back of the stage consisted of blue panels forming a semicircle. Two replicas of the Stars and Stripes framed the stage, and a giant American eagle was the focal point on the stage's back wall. Vice President Al Gore and Texas Gov. George W. Bush moved around a red-carpeted circle as they answered the audience's questions.

When he's designing, Foley tries to ensure that all participants can see each other and to make the set's background neutral. "You don't want to take the focus away from the candidates," he said.

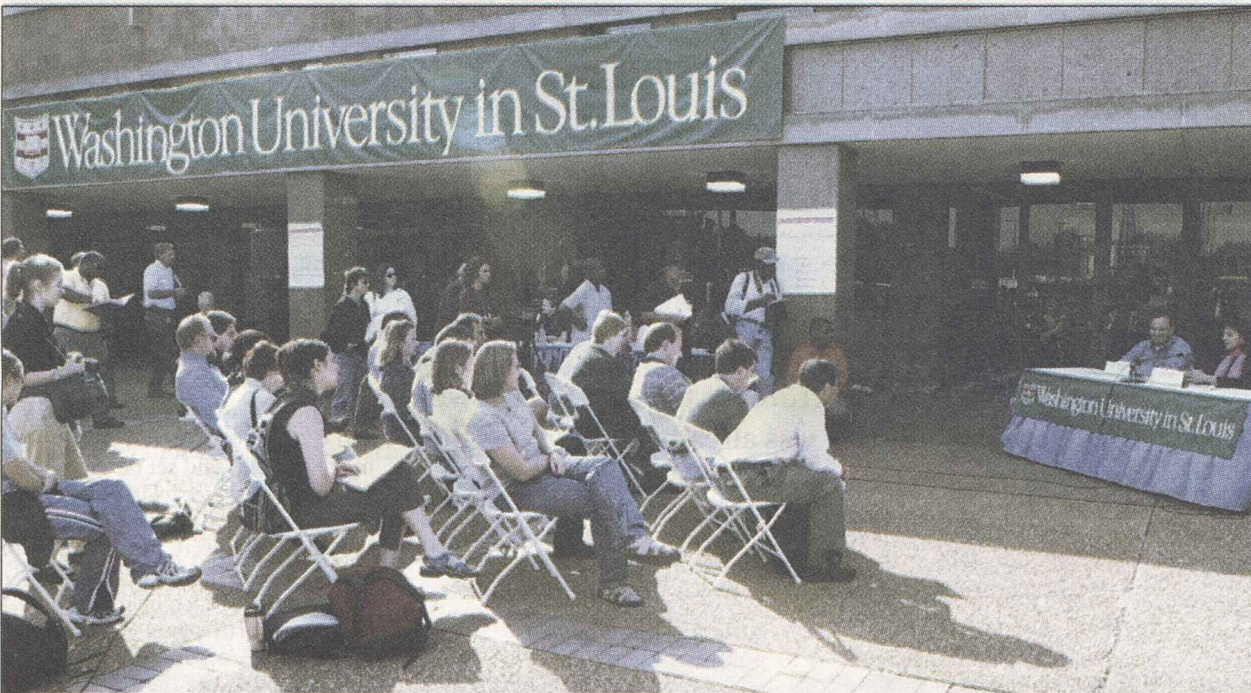
Months ago, Foley designed three sets — a formal debate on a stage, a debate around a table and a town hall format — for the 2000 presidential debates. After finding out in September that this debate definitely would use a town hall format, he began designing three different town hall variations for the Field House.

Although he has designed sets for the CPD since 1988, Foley still enjoys working on the debates. "It's a pretty cool thing to do," he said as he supervised construction a few days before the debate.

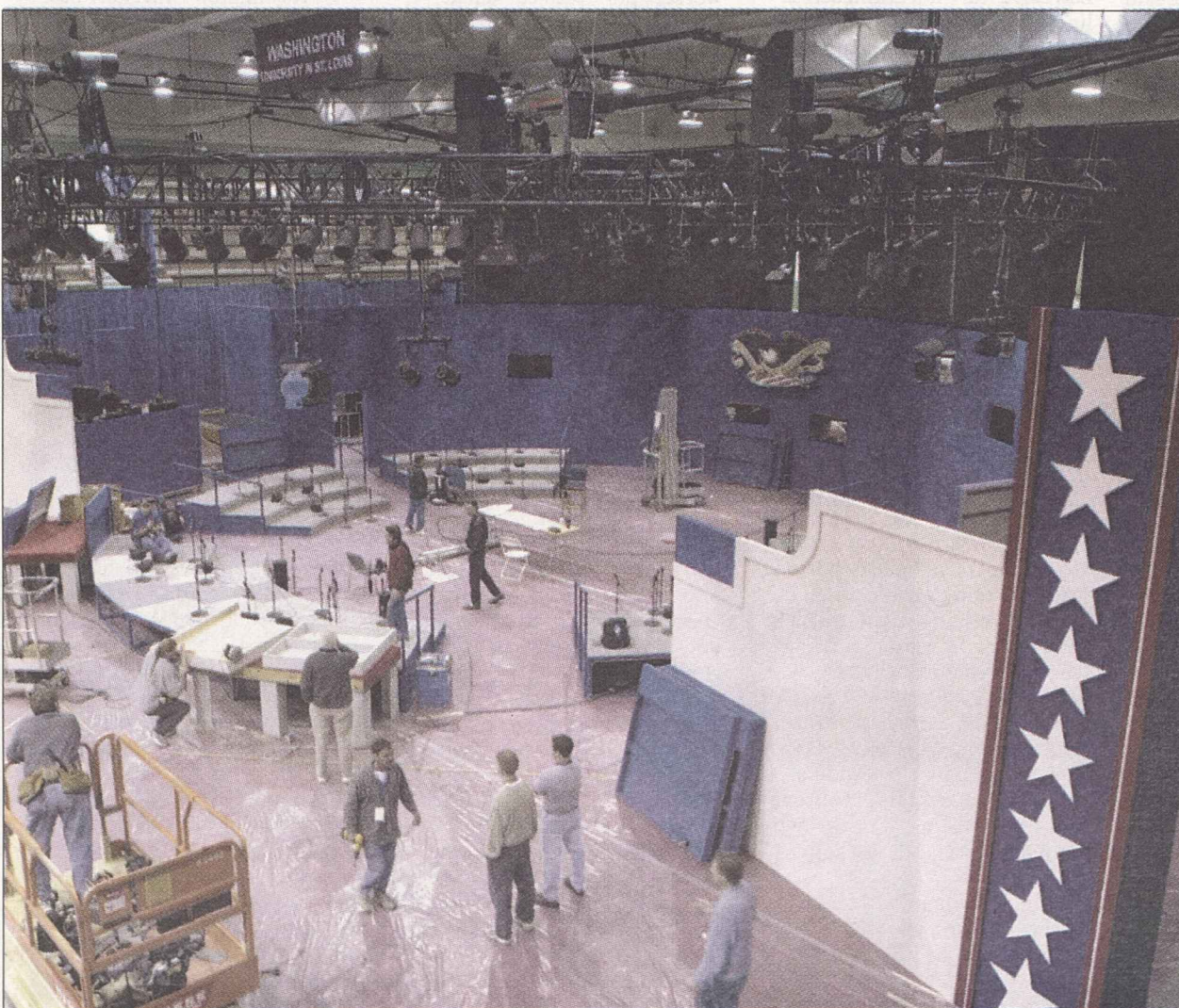
Foley has been designing scenery for 22 years. He has designed sets for ESPN Sports Center, PBS' "NewsHour with Jim Lehrer" and numerous TV stations.



The American Presidents Portrait Exhibit is on view in the Field House until Monday, Oct. 23. A nationally touring project, the exhibit is a joint effort of C-SPAN public affairs cable channel and the White House Historical Association. It was on display at the White House Visitor's Center before coming to St. Louis.



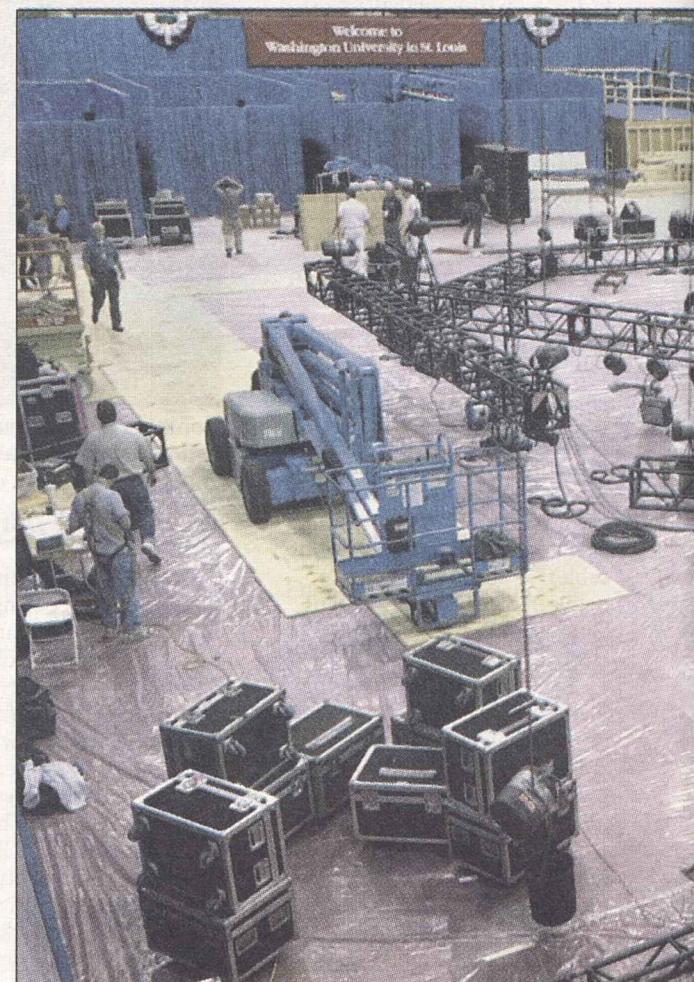
Members of the media receive a pre-debate briefing from the Commission on Presidential Debates outside the Athletic Complex.



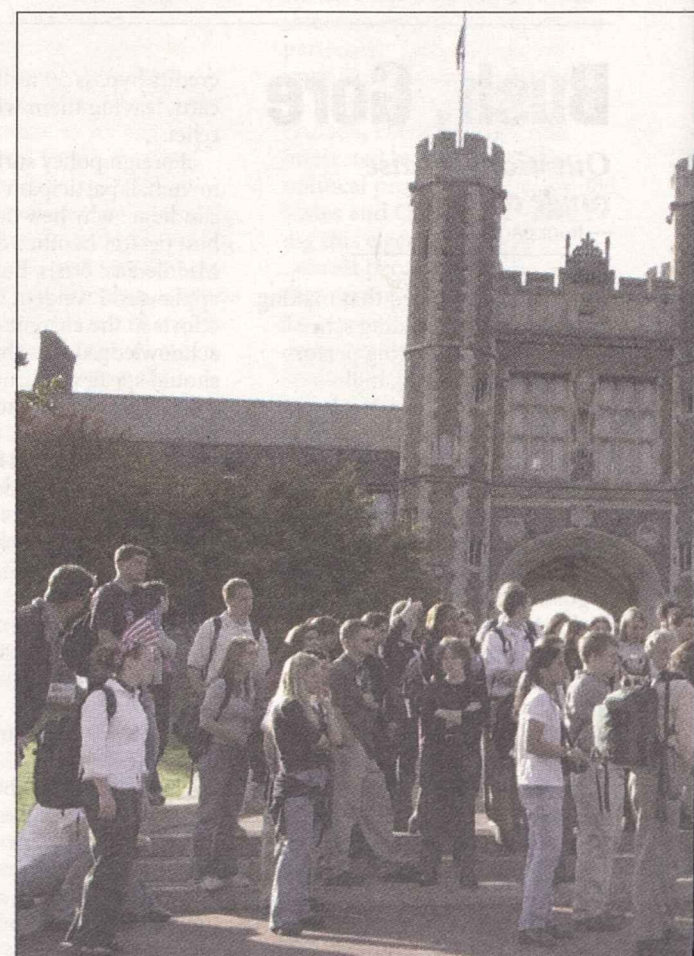
Workers assemble the town hall debate set, with tiered seats ringing the candidates' positions, at the north end of the Field House.



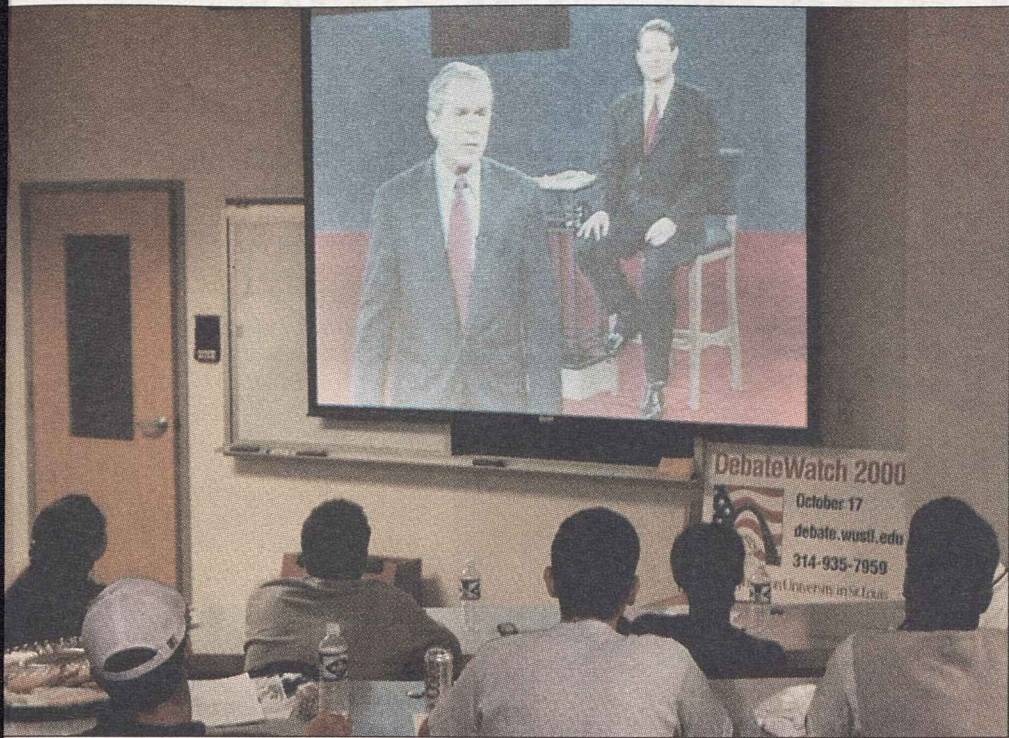
The Canine Unit of the Lambert - St. Louis International Airport police was on duty during the debate, including officer Rodney Gilliam and his dog, Buddy.



Electricians assemble the light rigging for the debate's town hall.

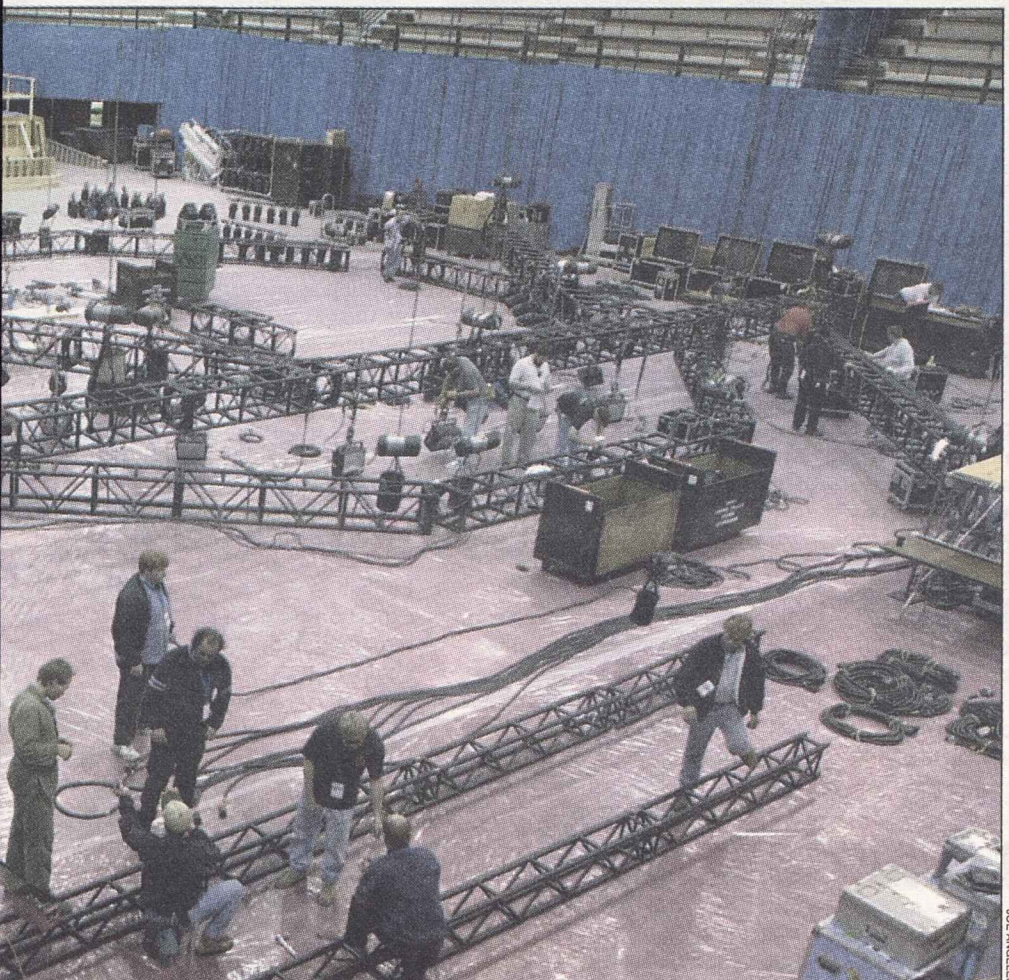


While flags flew at half-mast, about 175 students gathered on campus for a vigil for campaign adviser Chris Sifford who was killed in a plane crash. The vigil was held on Oct. 17 about Carnahan's support for education.



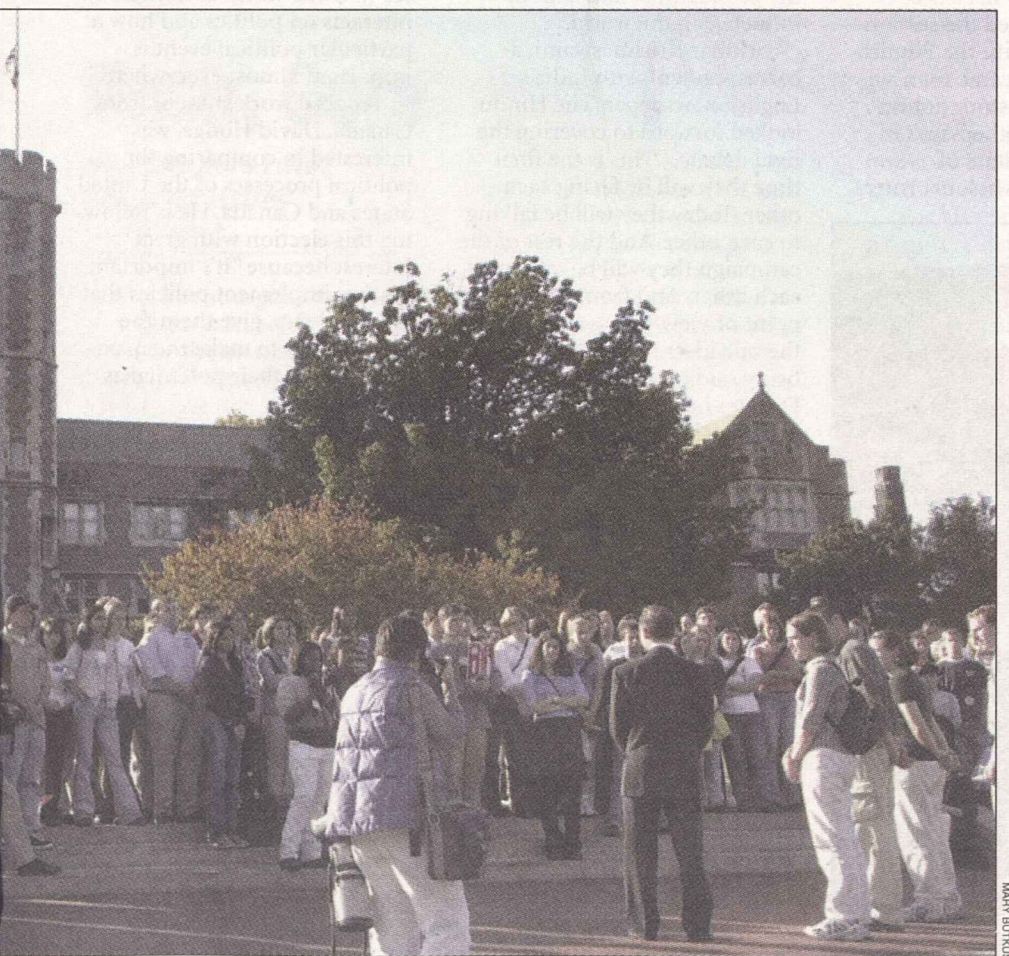
DAN DONOVAN

Members of the undergraduate Debate and Forensics Team pay close attention to the presidential candidates' performance as part of DebateWatch 2000. Numerous groups on campus and throughout St. Louis took part in the program encouraging people to watch the televised debate in small groups, discuss the issues and answer a national survey.



JOE ANGELES

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MARY BUTNIS

The steps of Brookings Hall to pay tribute to Gov. Mel Carnahan, his son Roger, and on Monday, Oct. 16. Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton (at right, back to camera) spoke at the late ceremony.



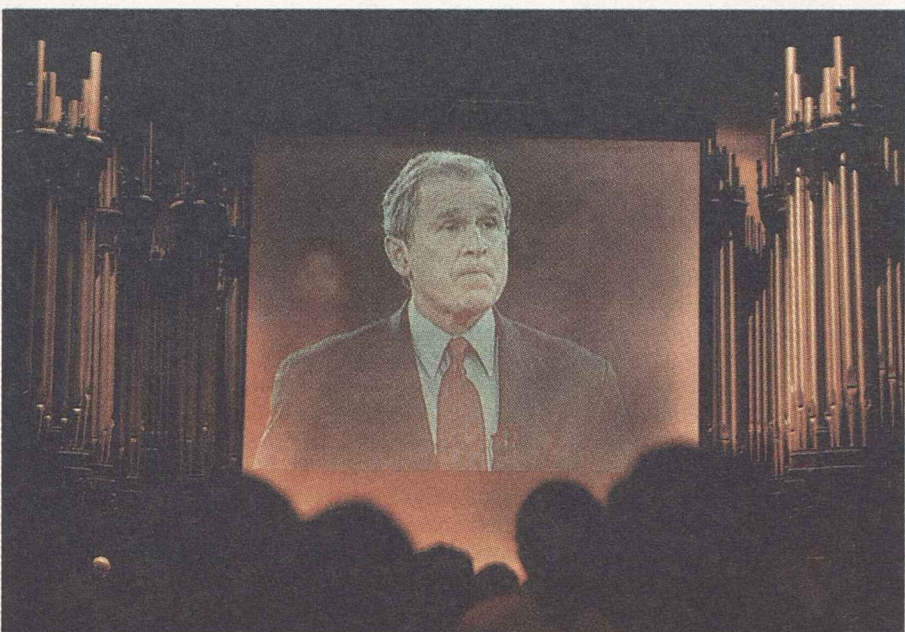
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Vice President Al Gore shows off a University sweatshirt with Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton and, at far right, Student Union President Michelle Purdy.



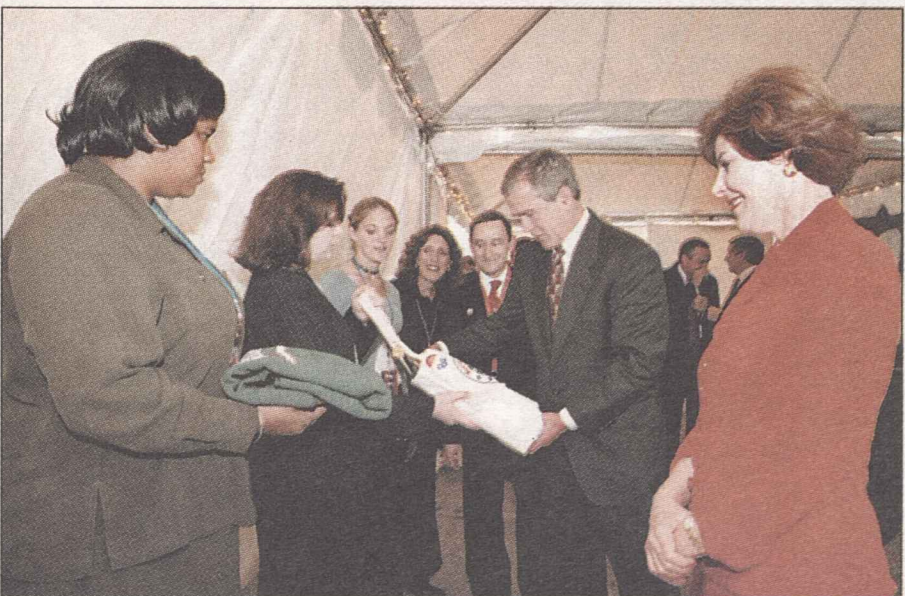
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Chancellor Mark S. Wrighton welcomes the debate audience to Washington University, flanked by, from left, Student Union President Michelle Purdy; Robert H. Waterston, M.D., the James S. McDonnell Professor and head of genetics; and Frank J. Fahrenkopf Jr. and Paul G. Kirk Jr. of the Commission on Presidential Debates.



RICK GRAEF

Members of the University community had the opportunity to watch the debate at six remote sites on the Hilltop and Medical campuses including Graham Chapel (above).



JOE ANGELES

Texas Gov. George W. Bush receives a tote bag commemorating the debate as (from left) Michelle Purdy, Jessica Logan, Leah Schmidt, Risa Zwerling-Wrighton, Mark S. Wrighton and Laura Bush, the governor's wife, look on.

Debate focuses media spotlight on University

By DEBORA BURGESS

Bob Roy had simple goals for the third presidential debate: "You want to make sure the power doesn't fail, the microphones stay on, the cameras don't die."

But as the pool producer controlling the camera coverage for all five major networks — ABC, CBS, NBC, CNN and Fox — for the third and final presidential debate, Roy spent weeks ensuring his goals were met. The five networks, Roy explained, divide responsibility for the bulk of the coverage of major events like conventions, debates, election nights and "a whole host of other things that involve day-to-day business in Washington."

"This is one of those events that you want to make sure doesn't get messed up. In terms of visibility and importance, it's big. In terms of complexity, it's not that big," said this ABC producer who has 32 years of experience in the television industry.

For the nine-camera shoot, Roy relied on the production executive, the director, the associate director, the technical director, a crew of 28 (including camera operators, sound engineers and lighting experts), a satellite truck, the operations truck and a trailer to get the job done. Three Washington University student runners — Ross Boughton, Abby Conway and John Heys — also helped.

Given the town hall format, "the challenge that we set ourselves was to try to figure out some way to cover this event so that the viewers do not see the technology," he said. After the debate, Roy concluded that "it went well."

In addition to the network pool operations based in the truck behind the Athletic Complex, six networks — the five major networks and C-SPAN — also had platforms in the debate hall for individual coverage.



More than 600 journalists cover the debate in the media filing center. The center contained 202 tables, 1,500 phone lines and 1,200 electrical outlets. Media viewed the debates on 43 monitors placed throughout the room.

This final debate had a TV audience of 37.6 million, according to Broadcasting & Cable Online.

Roy and his crew were among the more than 1,650 journalists from about 300 media organizations covering this debate. Print, television, radio and Internet-based journalists from across the country and around the world convened in the Athletic Complex.

A sampling of the national media on hand included the Associated Press, Atlanta Journal-Constitution, Baltimore Sun, Boston Globe, Chicago Tribune, Christian Science Monitor, Dallas Morning News, ABC's "Good Morning America,"

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Hartford Courant, KABC Los Angeles, Larry King Live, MTV, National Public Radio, The New York Times, Newsweek, The New Yorker, Omaha World Herald, People, Philadelphia Inquirer, Reuters, San Francisco Examiner, Time, United Press International, USA Today, Village Voice, WCBS Radio in New York and the Wall Street Journal.

International journalists included those from Agency

France Presse, Japan's Asahi Shimbun, Australian Broadcasting, BBC News, Canadian Press, Argentina's Clarin, Economist, European Broadcasting Union, German Press Agency DPA, Komsomolskaya Pravda, London Times, ORF

Austrian Radio, Public TV of Spain, Southern News of Canada, Germany's Stuttgarter Zeitung, Sweden's Sydsvenska Dagbladet, Tokyo Broadcasting System and Toronto Star.

Local and regional coverage came from all five local television stations, numerous local radio stations, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, the Columbia Missourian, DuQuoin Evening Call, St. Louis Journalism Review, the Riverfront

Times, Springfield News Leader and West End-Clayton Word, among others.

The largest contingents receiving credentials came from the major networks: about 89 from ABC, 54 from CBS, 78 from CNN, 128 from Fox and 96 from NBC.

Changes in technology were evident this election year in the credentialing of Internet companies, including 360hiphop.com, ECAMagazine.com, Health24News, Hotline, Jewishweb.net, Missourinet, Salon.com, Slate.com, Speakout.com, Time.com, Washingtonpost.com and Women.com.

About 21 Washington University student journalists were credentialed to cover the debate, along with student reporters from other colleges.

First-year student Andy Kling, a photographer with Student Life, said that "anywhere anything is happening, we should have people." He found covering this campus event to be "eye-opening, witnessing the sheer magnitude and the convergence of all the media organizations and political figures."

Elizabeth Rolwing with WUTV, a first-year student, concentrated on "getting people's voices" in her coverage. The experience, she said, "really taught me the power of the media."

Among those interviewed by the host of media were Tron Welch, the first student selected through the lottery, and Michelle Purdy, president of the Student Union. Faculty members also found themselves in the spotlight. Wayne Fields, Ph.D., the Lynne Cooper Harvey Professor of English in Arts & Sciences and an expert on political rhetoric, remained in Spin Alley until about 11 p.m. to provide interviews to AP, Reuters, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and several other media organizations.

International journalists soak up American political scene

By DEBORA BURGESS

Among the many international journalists covering the third debate at Washington University was a group of 28 print and broadcast representatives from France, Argentina, Hungary, France, Finland, the Czech Republic, Brazil, Germany, India, Japan, Sweden and Poland. Most of the journalists came from their

bases in Washington, D.C., but Katsuyoshi Seimiya traveled from Japan.

Organized by the U.S. Department of State's Foreign Press Center, this group attended a special briefing on the debates by James W. Davis, Ph.D., professor of political science in Arts & Sciences, and on U.S. foreign policy by Henry W. Berger, Ph.D., associate professor

of history in Arts & Sciences. Andrew Sobel, Ph.D., associate professor of political science and a resident fellow in the Center in Political Economy in Arts & Sciences, moderated the session.

Matti Tormi with the Finnish Broadcasting Co. came for a six-minute television story not on the debate but on the issues in the battleground state of Missouri and on Missouri voters.

Finland, he said, is interested in this national election "because America is the only superpower at the moment. And whoever is the president, he has a lot of influence in the world."

Sridhar Krishnaswami, a correspondent with India's English newspaper, The Hindu, looked forward to covering the final debate. "This is the final time they will be facing each other. Today they will be talking to each other. And the rest of the campaign they will be talking at each other. And from an overseas point of view, this is a chance for the outsiders to know what is being said on foreign policy. Debates have utility."

India, he said, is always interested in the directions of American foreign policy. And now is a time of particular interest. "We have had continuity in U.S. foreign policy for eight years, and now there is a prospect for change. So people are interested in seeing what the parameters of the change could be."

Joining the journalists for this briefing and reception were about 40 Washington University students.

Freshman Cristina Capelo from Venezuela came because of her interest in foreign politics, while fellow first-year student Agnes Annus came to provide any assistance to the reporters from her home country of Hungary.

Celia Ellenberg, a student from Philadelphia in the Arts & Sciences international leadership program for freshmen, came "to see how the world as a whole interacts on politics and how a particular political event is important almost everywhere."

A social work student from Canada, David Hodge, was interested in comparing the political processes of the United States and Canada. He is following this election with great interest because "it's important that we implement policies that lift people up, give them the opportunity to make the maximum use of their potential as individuals."

Discussion after the briefings covered a range of topics: Social Security, the effect of the tragic death of Missouri Gov. Mel Carnahan on the U.S. Senate race, the impact of renewed violence in the Middle East on Democratic vice-presidential candidate Joseph Lieberman, the potential impact on the elections of any U.S. retaliation for the suspected suicide attack on the USS Cole, the amount of credit Gore can claim for the country's strong economy, and style differences between the presidential candidates.

Also on the itinerary for this group of international journalists were the "pre-debate debate" between the presidential candidates' top economic advisers and the debate itself (see story on page 3).



Political science Professor James W. Davis, Ph.D., briefs a group of international journalists who came to the debate under the auspices of the U.S. State Department.

Protesters vocal but nonviolent; incidents are few

By DAVID LINZEE

A small but impassioned group of demonstrators from St. Louis and around the country gathered south of the intersection of Big Bend and Forsyth boulevards before and during the Oct. 17 presidential debate to espouse a variety of causes, but the protest focused mainly on the exclusion of Ralph Nader from the debate.

Don Strom, the University's chief of police, said that the highest estimate he had heard of the demonstrators' number was 600. Pleased that the evening ended without any major incidents, he credited the planning and coordination of University departments with state and local police agencies.

At 4:15 p.m. demonstrators marched up to the police line on Big Bend Boulevard. They carried a figure in a pinstriped suit with a pig's head, representing corporate greed, and other large dummies. They also waved banners advocating Nader, the Green Party and an end to corporate welfare. Other banners opposed militarism and supported animal rights.

After banging their drums and chanting for a few minutes, the marchers moved to Northmoor Park on the west side of Big Bend, which had been chosen by the umbrella protest organization "O17" because its organizers thought there were too many restrictions on the University's public demonstration area in the intramural fields.

The atmosphere in the park was relaxed on this sunny afternoon. Residents of surrounding houses watched from their front steps. Children rode their bikes up and down the street, and people walked their dogs. Security was low-key, with a single University City police car occasionally circling the park.

Ralph Nader arrived at about 5 p.m. He was introduced by Missouri Green Party gubernato-

rial candidate Zaki Baruti, who first called for a moment of silence for Gov. Mel Carnahan and those who perished with him in a plane crash Oct. 16.

Nader spoke for about 50 minutes. He said that because he was barred from the debates, people were deprived of all discussion of issues close to them. "Bush and Gore will never discuss the concentrated economic power that leads to so much social injustice in this country," he said.

Nader told the cheering crowd that he had just filed suit against the Commission on Presidential Debates for excluding him from the Boston debate site Oct. 3.

Denouncing big corporations and their domination of the political process, Nader laid out his major proposals, including public financing of political campaigns, stronger environmental laws and national health insurance.

Kelly Lachajczyk of St. Louis was hearing the speech for the second time that day. She had been at Nader's afternoon rally at St. Louis' Scottish Rite Temple. "He would have had a good chance to win if he had been allowed in the debates," she said. "He's the only one who can take this country in the direction it needs to go."

Nearby stood Alison Strom, who was wearing a Gore-Lieberman button. She is a resident adviser at the University and had come over from the South 40 with some of her first-year students. She did not think that Nader's exclusion from the debates was unfair, even if it did mean that some issues would not be brought up. "A rule's a rule," she said, "and he doesn't have enough support."

Luke Epplin, a senior, was surprised by Nader's confident announcement that he would win in November. "He's quixotic," Epplin said. "I read an article in Harper's in which he said he

wanted to be the alternative to president, not the president."

At about 7 p.m., the marchers from Northmoor Park moved onto Big Bend Boulevard and approached the police line again. The line of state and St. Louis County police was reinforced, and the Emergency Support Team, a group of student volunteers trained in emergency medicine, moved to a ready position and laid out their equipment. The marchers drummed and chanted but did not attempt to break through the police line.

At 7:30 p.m., a demonstration leader with a bullhorn announced that Nader had tried to enter the Athletic Complex perimeter to conduct press interviews and had been turned back. The crowd jeered. Nader had allegedly attempted to use a credential assigned to someone else.

The demonstrators continued to chant and wave their signs. At 8 p.m., as the debate began, roughly a third of them turned and marched away in a silent protest. Those who remained became more strident. Chants were laced with obscenities, and an American flag was burned. The police, standing shoulder to shoulder across Big Bend, wearing helmets and carrying plexiglass shields, continued to behave with restraint.

Matthew Berliant, one of the O17 organizers, thought the event

met its purposes — "to help build a coalition that remains after this protest and to draw attention to issues. This is what I had hoped for."

At 8:40 p.m. the marchers walked east on Wydown Boulevard to Skinker Boulevard

and up to the corner of Forsyth, where they arrived about 9:15 p.m.

The demonstrators, fewer in number at the time, continued to chant and drum and wave their placards to cars passing on Skinker.

Around midnight the crowd dispersed.



Practitioners of Falun Gong hold a peaceful protest in the official demonstration area on the University's intramural fields. The group was protesting the Chinese government's treatment of sect members.

Official protest venue draws speakers but few listeners

By DEBORA BURGESS

Only a fraction of the groups registered to speak at Washington University's public demonstration area took to the stage because there were few listeners for their messages. But these groups, with their mix of messages, persevered until about 7 p.m.

One group of students from the University of Southern Mississippi drove 10 hours from Hattiesburg to participate. Their goal, according to Kim Jacobs, Lisa Eidson and Sarah Manley, was "to battle voter apathy, particularly among those ages 18-24. Statistically less than half of eligible voters in this age group register to vote, and only 16.6 percent actually vote. We want to change that. If we could all come together, we would be the second-largest voting block in the country."

Veterans' issues, "which neither Mr. Gore nor Mr. Bush have mentioned during this entire campaign," were the concern of Sam Gilley, a Vietnam veteran. "They're going to have to turn around and address our issues. There are just too many of us. We have 3,000 homeless veterans in St. Louis alone. And one-third of our entire homeless population through the United States are veterans."

Thomas Knapp represented Libertarians for Open Debates,

expressing the same concern voiced by Ralph Nader's Green Party supporters: "We believe that the American people deserve to hear Harry Browne's message and protest his exclusion from the debates."

Peng Zhang represented the Falun Gong in China. "We want world leaders to express their concern with the situation in China," he said. "We are not an evil cult, and we are not anti-government. All we want is the freedom to practice truthfulness, compassion and tolerance." From the opening of the demonstration area at 4 p.m. to about 7:30 p.m., he and about 25 fellow practitioners practiced the "gentle exercises" that are part of Falun Gong's "meditation for mind, body and spirit."

A local chapter of the American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee came "to demonstrate for justice in the Middle East and for a just U.S. policy in the Middle East. We would like to see a real debate on giving billions of dollars of aid to Israel so they can use it to kill Palestinians."

"Being for life is not a Republican issue. It's not an issue for Democrats. It's an issue for everyone," David Schuster, a junior, said on behalf of Washington University Students for Life, a group opposed to the death penalty, abortion and euthanasia.

Joy Kiviat with Citizens for Educational Freedom came, she said, "to stand up for an important issue, which is every parent's right to choose the best school for their child."

The need to reform farm, energy and trade policies was the message of Abner Deatherage. "Farming is a unique occupation," he said. "No other industry has to fight the weather and have such a

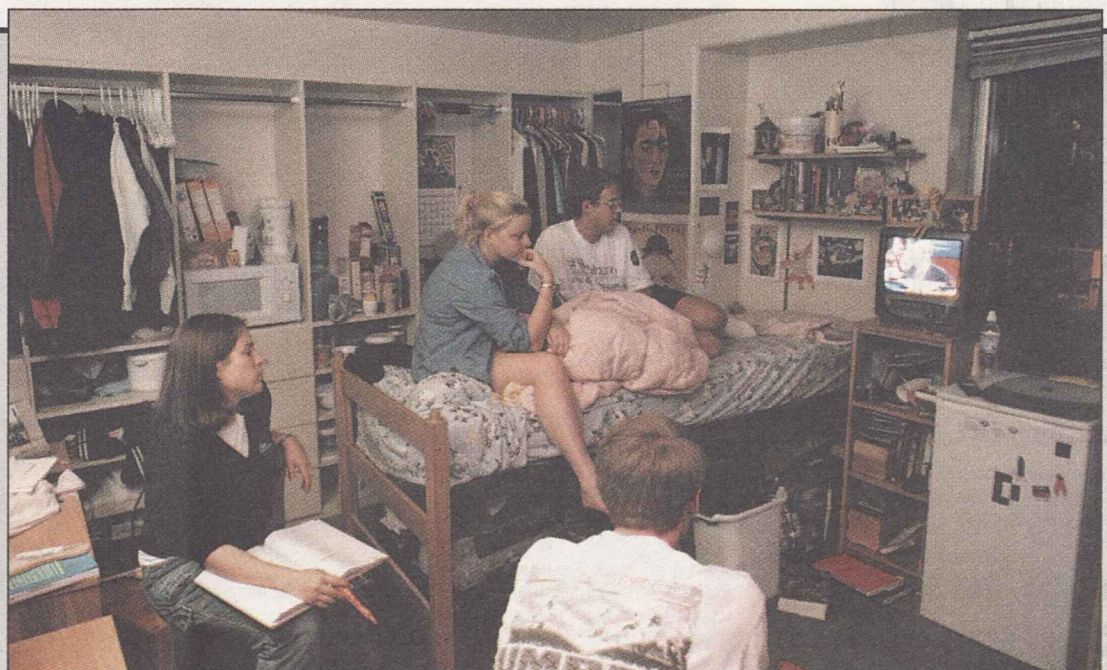
volatile price deal. Speaking for farmers, we don't have a good economy."

The Mars Society, whose group traveled seven hours from Ohio, took to the stage to push for the exploration and settlement of Mars. Their buttons proclaim "Mars or Bust."

Garnering the most heated reaction from the students and public in the demonstration area

was a small band of anti-gay protesters with inflammatory signs.

Among the students who came to hear the voices of these different protest groups was senior N'jai-An Patters. "I think for democracy to be truly effective we need as many dissenting opinions as possible. In fact, I think it is dissent that is the cornerstone of democracy."



Widespread interest Students across campus watched the debate either at one of the remote sites or in their rooms. In Koenig Residence Hall (above, from left), freshmen Janet Silverman, Rachel Hewitt and Seth Bloom tune in, along with freshman Joe Blasi (back to camera).

University Events

'The King Stag' Energy, fantasy, pageantry on Edison stage

By LIAM OTTEN

Anaive young monarch with supernatural talents, true love beset by ruthless villainy, mythical creatures roaming an enchanted forest — rarely has the magic of the theater been quite so magical as in the American Repertory Theatre (ART) production of "The King Stag." The show, directed by Andrei Serban and designed by Julie Taymor (the Tony Award-winning genius behind Disney's much-heralded theatrical version of "The Lion King"), comes to Edison Theatre this month, sponsored by the OVATIONS! Series and the School of Art.

Performances of this special family event begin at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 27 and 28, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 29.

Set in the Oriental kingdom of Serendippo, "The King Stag" tells the story of young King Deramo, who, aided by a magical statue, has thus far interviewed and rejected 748 applicants for the position of wife (and proven oblivious to the love of the virtuous Angela). The devious prime minister Tartaglia, however, covets the throne and, when Deramo learns of an incantation that will allow him to transfer his soul into the body of any dead creature, Tartaglia challenges him to enter the body of a stag.



The American Repertory Company brings Carlo Gozzi's 18th-century fable "The King Stag" to life at Edison Theatre Oct. 27-29. The show features costumes, masks and puppetry designed by Tony Award-winner Julie Taymor, who received international acclaim for her theatrical version of Disney's "The Lion King."

Deramo obliges, and the traitorous Tartaglia quickly repeats the king's sorcery, implanting his own soul into the king's temporarily abandoned frame.

"The King Stag" was written by the 18th-century Italian dramatist Carlo Gozzi, a nobleman whose aristocratic family had fallen on

hard times. Gozzi sought to reinvigorate the lively Renaissance tradition of street theater known as *commedia dell'arte* and to this end wrote 10 fables, full of energy, fantasy and pageantry, of which "The King Stag" is the best known.

Taymor, who created costumes,

masks and puppetry for ART's sweeping production, honors those roots while also integrating elements from a diverse range of world theatrical styles, including Japanese Bunraku, Balinese temple dances and Indonesian shadow puppetry.

Taymor's many credits include

"The Lion King," which won Tony Awards for best direction and best costumes, and "The Green Bird," which opened on Broadway earlier this year. Her first film, "Titus Andronicus," starring Anthony Hopkins and Jessica Lange, was released last year.

Serban has been associated with the American Repertory Theatre Company for more than 20 years, with directing credits that include "The Merchant of Venice," "The Taming of the Shrew," "Three Sisters," "The Juniper Tree" and "Sweet Table at the Richelieu." He has directed works for the Yale Repertory, Lincoln Center, the Guthrie Theater and The New York Shakespeare Festival, among other venues, and spent three years as head of the Romanian National Theater.

Founded by artistic director Robert Brustein in 1966, ART is a not-for-profit resident theater based in Cambridge, Mass. Associated with Harvard University for the last 22 seasons, ART draws its wide-ranging repertory from new American plays, neglected works from the past and classic texts re-examined through unconventional productions.

Tickets are \$27 and are available at the Edison Theatre Box Office, 935-6543, or through MetroTix, 534-1111. For further information, call 935-6543.

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"University Events" lists a portion of the activities taking place at Washington University Oct. 20-Nov. 1. Visit the Web for expanded calendars for the School of Medicine (medschool.wustl.edu/events/) and the Hilltop Campus (cf6000.wustl.edu/calendar/events/).

Exhibitions

"Advocates for Change: 75 Years of Journalism and Social Work." St. Louis Post-Dispatch editorial cartoon exhibit. George Warren Brown School of Social Work 75th anniversary event. Through Dec. 15 (closed Thanksgiving weekend). GWB Library, Brown Hall. 935-4780.

"Eleanor Antin: A Retrospective." Through Nov. 12. Gallery of Art. 935-4523.

"International Writers Center: A Decade." Through Oct. 31. Co-sponsored by IWC, College of Arts & Sciences, University Libraries and Assembly Series. IWC, 7425 Forsyth Blvd. 935-5576.

"Juan Sánchez: Printed Convictions." Through Nov. 30. Des Lee Gallery, University Lofts Bldg., 1627 Washington Ave. 935-4643.

"Viktor Hamburger Centenary Celebration." Through Oct. 25. Biology Library, Life Sciences Bldg. 935-5405.

Film

Monday, Oct. 23

4 p.m. Russian film. "Burnt by the Sun." Room 219 Ridgley Hall. 935-5177.

6 p.m. Chinese Film Series. "To Live." Room 219 Ridgley Hall. 935-5156.

Tuesday, Oct. 24

6 p.m. Near Eastern Film Series. "The Children of the Sky." (English subtitles.) Room 219 Ridgley Hall. 935-5156.

Monday, Oct. 30

6 p.m. Japanese Film Series. "The Makioka Sisters." Room 219 Ridgley Hall. 935-5156.

7 p.m. Chilean Film Series. "Gringuito." (English subtitles.) Room 252 Olin Library. 935-5175.

Tuesday, Oct. 31

6 p.m. Near Eastern Film Series. "Girls." Room 219 Ridgley Hall. 935-5156.

Wednesday, Nov. 1

7 p.m. Eleanor Antin Film Series. Short films and videos by artists exploring the context of feminist art in the 1970s and '80s. Gallery of Art. 935-5490.

Lectures

Friday, Oct. 20

9:15 a.m. Pediatric Grand Rounds. "Making Connections Carefully: The Relationship Between Mind, Brain and Behavior." John T. Bruer, pres., James S. McDonnell Foundation, and adjunct prof. of philosophy. Clopton Aud., 4950 Children's Place. 454-6006.

4 p.m. Anesthesiology research unit seminar. "Narcolepsy and Hypocretins (Orexins)." Emmanuel Mignot, assoc. prof. of psychiatry and behavioral sciences, Stanford U. School of Medicine, Calif. Room 5550 Clinical Sciences Research Bldg. 362-8560.

4 p.m. Hematology seminar. "Protein Z and Thrombosis." George J. Broze Jr., prof. of medicine and of cell biology and physiology. Room 8841 Clinical Sciences Research Bldg. 362-8801.

7:30 p.m. St. Louis Astronomical Society lecture. "Europa: Surface Salts, an Ocean and a Possibility for Life." Mikhail Zolotov, senior research scientist, earth and planetary sciences dept. Room 162 McDonnell Hall. 935-4614.

Saturday, Oct. 21

10 a.m. Science Saturdays Lecture Series. "Richard Feynman." Carl M. Bender, prof. of physics. Room 201 Crow Hall. 935-6276.

Monday, Oct. 23

Noon-1 p.m. Molecular biology and pharmacology seminar. "Genetics of Fgfr2." Peter Lonai, prof. of molecular genetics, Weizmann Inst. of Science, Israel. Room 3907 South Bldg. 362-2725.

Noon-1 p.m. Work, Families and Public Policy Brown Bag Seminar Series. "What Has Welfare Reform Accomplished? Impacts on Welfare Participation, Employment, Income, Poverty and Family Structure." Rebecca M. Blank, the Henry Carter Adams Collegiate Prof. of public policy, dean of the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy and prof. of economics, U. of Mich., Ann Arbor. Room 300 Eliot Hall. 935-4918.

2 p.m. Center for Interdisciplinary Studies symposium. "Complexity and Cognition." Douglass C. North, 1993 Nobel Laureate in economic science, the Spencer T. Olin Prof. and prof. of economics; Cass Sunstein, prof., U. of Chicago School of Law; and Lynn Stout, prof., Georgetown U. Law Center. Bryan Cave Moot Courtroom, Anheuser-Busch Hall. 935-4016.

4 p.m. Biology seminar. "Bright Dawns, Dark Twilights: Signaling to and From the Biological Clock in Arabidopsis." Andrew Millar, biological sciences dept., U. of Warwick, England. Room 322 Rebstock Hall. 935-8635.

4 p.m. Immunology Research Seminar Series. "The Adult Thymus: A Vestigium?" Richard A. Koup, chief of infectious diseases, U. of Texas Southwestern Medical Center. Eric P. Newman Education Center. 362-2763.

7 p.m. Architecture Monday Night Lecture Series. "Six Memos From the Last Millennium." Mikko Heikkinen, architect, Heikkinen-Komonen Architects, Helsinki, Finland. Steinberg Hall Aud. (reception 6:30 p.m., Givens Hall). 935-6293.

Tuesday, Oct. 24

Noon. Molecular Microbiology and Microbial Pathogenesis Seminar Series. "Role of Elastases in Resistance to Microbial Infection." Steven Shapiro, prof. of cell biology and physiology, of medicine and of pediatrics. Cori Aud., 4565 McKinley Ave. 362-7059.

4 p.m. Chemistry seminar. "Advanced Materials for the Next Generation of Computers: Studies at the Interface of Organic and Polymer Chemistry." Craig J. Hawker, IBM Almaden Research Center, San Jose, Calif. Room 311 McMillen Lab (coffee 3:40 p.m.). 935-6530.

4 p.m. Pathology and immunology seminar. "Use of Virus-specific CTLs for the Prevention and Treatment of Virus-associated Diseases." Cliona Rooney, Center for Cell and Gene Therapy, Baylor College of Medicine, Texas. Room 7738 Clinical Sciences Research Bldg. 362-0367.

4:30 p.m. Genetics Goldfarb Lecture. "The Source Code of Life: Computational Biology and the Human Genome Project." Sean R. Eddy, assoc. prof. of genetics and research assoc. prof. of biomedical engineering. Seminar room B, Eric P. Newman Education Center. 362-7072.

7 p.m. Women Scholars' lecture. "Life and Death Issues." Jean DeBlois, CSJ. Catholic Student Center, 6352 Forsyth Blvd. 935-9191.

Wednesday, Oct. 25

11 a.m. Assembly Series. Black Arts & Sciences Festival. Bernice Johnson

Reagon, founder of a cappella African-American folk group Sweet Honey in the Rock, singer, composer, cultural historian, scholar, writer and civil rights activist. Graham Chapel. 935-5285.

3 p.m. Mathematics analysis seminar. David Blecher, prof., U. of Houston. Room 199 Cupples I Hall. 935-6760.

3:45 p.m. Physics colloquium. "Motion of a Falling Liquid Filament." Harvey Segur, prof. of applied mathematics, U. of Colorado, Boulder. Room 204 Crow Hall (coffee 3:30 p.m., Room 241 Compton Hall). 935-6276.

4 p.m. Biochemistry and molecular biophysics seminar. "Following DNA Replication One Molecule at a Time." Carlos Bustamante, prof. of physics, U. of Calif., Berkeley. Erlanger Aud., McDonnell Medical Sciences Bldg. 362-0261.

Thursday, Oct. 26

Noon-1 p.m. Genetics seminar. "Neural Cell Fate Determination in the Vertebrate Embryo." Kristen L. Kroll, asst. prof. of molecular biology and pharmacology. Room 823 McDonnell Medical Sciences Bldg. 362-7072.

4 p.m. Chemistry seminar. "Deducing Solid Properties From Computer Simulations: Studies of Argon and Silicon." Sweta Somasi, chemical engineering dept. Room 311 McMillen Lab (coffee 3:40 p.m.). 935-6530.

4 p.m. Pathology and immunology seminar. "Signaling by Epstein-Barr Virus LMP2A - A B Cell Receptor Mimic." Richard Longnecker, assoc. prof. of microbiology and immunology, Northwestern Medical School, Chicago. Room 7738 Clinical Sciences Research Bldg. 362-0367.

4:30 p.m. Mathematics colloquium. David Blecher, prof., U. of Houston. Room 199 Cupples I Hall (tea 4 p.m., Room 200). 935-6760.

5 p.m. Vision Science Seminar Series. "The Pathway From Embryonic Stem Cells to Neurons and Glia." David I. Gottlieb, prof. of anatomy and neurobiology and assoc. prof. of biochemistry and molecular biophysics. Cori Aud., 4565 McKinley Ave. 362-5722.

5 p.m. East Asian Studies Annual Nelson I. Wu Lecture on Asian Art and Culture. "Kazari: Japanese Dynamic Design." Nicole Rousmaniere, dir., Sainsbury Inst. for the Study of Japanese Arts and Cultures, London. Co-sponsored by the Saint Louis Art Museum. Saint Louis Art Museum Aud. (Reception following.) 935-4448.

Friday, Oct. 27

9:15 a.m. Pediatric Grand Rounds. "It's a Bug's Life: Evolution in Human-microbial Interactions." David B. Haslam, asst. prof. of pediatrics and of molecular microbiol-

ogy. Clopton Aud., 4950 Children's Place. 454-6006.

Noon. Cell biology and physiology seminar. "Signal Transduction in PC12 Cells: Mechanistic Studies With Receptor-chimeras and Variant Cells." Ralph A. Bradshaw, physiology and biophysics dept., U. of Calif., Irvine. Room 426 McDonnell Medical Sciences Bldg. 362-6950.

3 p.m. Foreign Language Pedagogy Colloquium Series. "On Becoming a Cultural Studies Department: Issues and Implications for Foreign Language Learning and Teaching." Heidi Byrnes, prof. of German, Georgetown U., Washington, D.C. Co-sponsored by Asian and Near Eastern languages and literatures and Romance languages and literatures. Room 162 McDonnell Hall. 935-4449.

4 p.m. Joint Center for East Asian Studies lecture. "Tokyo Italiano: Domesticating Pasta in Global Japan." Merry White, prof. of anthropology, Boston U. Room 331 Social Sciences & Business Bldg., U. of Mo., St. Louis. 935-4448.

4:30 p.m. Mathematics colloquium. Peter Russell, prof., McGill U., Montreal. Room 199 Cupples I Hall (tea 4 p.m., Room 200). 935-6760.

Saturday, Oct. 28

10 a.m. Science Saturdays Lecture Series. "Edwin Hubble." Michael Friedlander, prof. of physics. Room 201 Crow Hall. 935-6276.

Monday, Oct. 30

Noon-1 p.m. Molecular biology and pharmacology seminar. "New Activities for Old Growth Factors. Essential Roles for FGFs in Mesoderm Development and Central Nervous System Signaling." David Ornitz, prof. of molecular biology and pharmacology. Room 3907 South Bldg. 362-2725.

4 p.m. Immunology Research Seminar Series. "Mechanisms of Immune Surveillance by Cytotoxic T Cells." Nilabh Shastri, assoc. prof. of immunology, U. of Calif., Berkeley. Eric P. Newman Education Center. 362-2763.

7 p.m. Architecture Monday Night Lecture Series. Christine Boyer, prof. of architecture, urbanism, Princeton U. Steinberg Hall Aud. (reception 6:30 p.m., Givens Hall). 935-6293.

Tuesday, Oct. 31

Noon. Molecular Microbiology and Microbial Pathogenesis Seminar Series. "Vibrio cholerae Pathogenesis: Links Between Pilus Biogenesis and Virulence Factor Secretion System."

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Ronald K. Taylor, prof. of microbiology and immunology, Dartmouth Medical School, Hanover, N.H. Cori Aud., 4565 McKinley Ave. 362-7059.

12:10-12:55 p.m. Physical therapy research seminar. "In Vivo Regulation of Acetylcholine Receptor Density at the Neuromuscular Junction." Mohammed Akaaboune, post-doctoral fellow in anatomy and neurobiology. Classroom B110, 4444 Forest Park Blvd. 286-1404.

1:30 p.m. Religious studies lecture. "A Portion of Heaven." Danielle Mason, the Stella Kramrisch Curator of Indian and Himalayan Art, Philadelphia Museum of Art. Co-sponsored by art history and archaeology dept. Room 118 Brown Hall. 935-5166.

Wednesday, Nov. 1

11 a.m. Assembly Series. The Chimes/Neureuther Library Lecture. Frank McCourt, Pulitzer Prize-winning author. Graham Chapel. 935-5285.

11 a.m. Mathematics analysis seminar. "Interpolation and Corona Theorems for Algebras Associated With Besov Spaces." Richard Rochberg, prof. of mathematics. Room 199 Cupples Hall. 935-6760.

2 p.m. Center for Interdisciplinary Studies symposium. "The Commons." Elinor Ostrom, prof. of political science and dir. of the Workshop in Political Theory and Policy Analysis, Indiana U.; Richard Posner, U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit; Lawrence Lessig, prof., Harvard U. School of Law; and Robert Ellickson, prof., Yale U. School of Law. Bryan Cave Moot Courtroom, Anheuser-Busch Hall. 935-4016.

Music

Saturday, Oct. 21

8 p.m. Acoustic City Concert Series. Brooks Williams with Christine Kane. Cost: \$10 in advance; \$14 at the door. The Gargoyle. 935-7576.

Thursday, Oct. 26

8:30 p.m. Holmes Jazz Series. Rob Hughes Trio. Holmes Lounge, Ridgley Hall. 935-4841.

Sunday, Oct. 29

3 p.m. Chamber music recital. Music of Bach and Marais. Elizabeth Macdonald, viola da gamba, and Charles Metz, harpsichord. Steinberg Hall Aud. 935-4841.

On stage

Friday, Oct. 27

8 p.m. OVATIONS! Series performance. "The King Stag." Andrei Serban, director; Julie Taymor, costumes, masks and puppetry. Cost: \$27. (Also Oct. 28, same time, and Oct. 29, 2 p.m.) Edison Theatre. 935-6543.

Sports

Friday, Oct. 20

4 p.m. Volleyball vs. Thomas More College (Ky.). Field House. 935-5220.

Activist speaks here Oct. 25

Bernice Johnson Reagon, Ph.D., founder and performer of the world-renowned a cappella ensemble Sweet Honey in the Rock, will deliver the Black Arts & Sciences Festival address for the Assembly Series at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, in Graham Chapel. The talk is free and open to the public.

Reagon is a singer, composer, cultural historian, curator and activist. She is the Distinguished Professor of History at American University, Washington, D.C., specializing in the history of African-American culture, and also holds the position of curator emerita at the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of American History. She is best known as a performer with Sweet Honey in the Rock, which she formed in 1973.

Reagon's solo work has been featured in several award-winning documentaries, including "The



Reagon: Curator at Smithsonian

Public Radio/ Smithsonian Institution collaboration titled "Wade in the Water: African-American Sacred Music Traditions," a series for which she received the 1994 Peabody Award.

In 1989, Reagon was awarded a MacArthur Fellowship, also known as the genius grant, for her work as an artist and scholar of African-American culture.

For more information, visit the Web (<http://wupa.wustl.edu/assembly>) or call 935-5285.

Songs Are Free: Bernice Johnson Reagon With Bill Moyers."

Wearing her curator/historian hat, Reagon produced and hosted a National

ABS schedules festival events

Bernice Johnson Reagon's Assembly Series address at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, keynotes the annual Black Arts & Sciences Festival, sponsored by the University's Association of Black Students. Other festival events include:

- Sunday, Oct. 22, 8 p.m. — **Movie and Discussion Night**, Ike's Place, featuring "SLAM," an independent film expressing the black struggle in rap and poetry;
- Monday, Oct. 23, 8:30 p.m. — **Express Yourself!**, Friedman Lounge, an evening of black art inspiring social change;
- Tuesday, Oct. 24, 8 p.m. — **"Degrees, Dollars, & Change:**

Education as a Tool to Fight Economic Inequality," with Kedibone Molema, national publicity and information secretary of the Azanian People's Organization, Ursa's Café, with discussion and reception;

- Thursday, Oct. 26, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. — **Black Arts & Culture Fest**, The Gargoyle, featuring merchandise from black-owned businesses, African art, jewelry, clothing, food and entertainment;
- Friday, Oct. 27, 9 p.m. — **A Smoov' Groove**, Ursa's Café, a night of jazz and poetry.

For more information, call Traci Freeman (935-1219) or Kyle Thomas (935-0087).

8:30 p.m. Volleyball vs. Savannah College of Art and Design (Ga.). Field House. 935-5220.

Saturday, Oct. 21

11 a.m. Volleyball vs. Madonna U. (Mich.). Field House. 935-5220.

4 p.m. Volleyball vs. Illinois Wesleyan U. Field House. 935-5220.

Wednesday, Oct. 25

7 p.m. Women's soccer vs. Webster U. Francis Field. 935-5220.

Saturday, Oct. 28

10 a.m. Cross Country: Washington U. Mini Meet. Forest Park. 935-5220.

11 a.m. Women's soccer vs. U. of Chicago. Francis Field. 935-5220.

1:30 p.m. Men's soccer vs. U. of Chicago. Francis Field. 935-5220.

Tuesday, Oct. 31

7 p.m. Men's soccer vs. Wabash College (Ind.). Francis Field. 935-5220.

Worship

Friday, Oct. 20

11:15 a.m. Catholic Mass. Catholic Student Center, 6352 Forsyth Blvd. 935-9191.

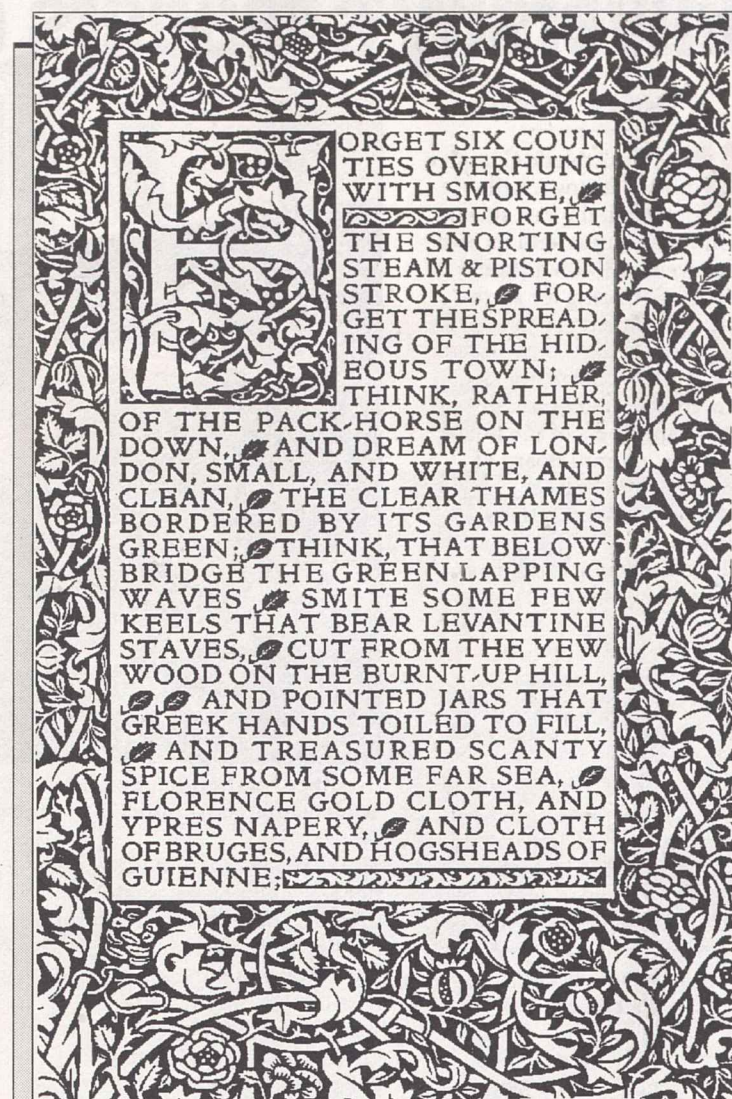
Friday, Oct. 27

11:15 a.m. Catholic Mass. Catholic Student Center, 6352 Forsyth Blvd. 935-9191.

Wednesday, Nov. 1

Noon. Catholic Feast of All Saints Mass. Catholic Student Center, 6352 Forsyth Blvd. 935-9191.

10 p.m. Catholic Feast of All Saints Mass. Room A Mudd Residence Hall. 935-9191.



"The Earthly Paradise," one of the last books created by Arts and Crafts designer William Morris (1834-1896), recently was acquired by Olin Library's Special Collections as part of the famed Triple Crown Collection. The collection includes approximately 150 volumes by the Kelmscott, Doves and Ashdene presses, which together form the epitome of Arts and Crafts book design, as well as hundreds of items of related ephemera. A viewing of the collection will be held from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 23, in Special Collections, located on the fifth floor of Olin Library. For more information, call 935-5495.

And more...

Friday, Oct. 20

9 a.m.-5 p.m. The Viktor Hamburger Centenary Symposium, honoring prof. emeritus of biology on his 100th birthday. Sponsored by biology dept. A group of seven scholars will speak. Room 100 Brown Hall. 935-6808.

Saturday, Oct. 21

7:30 a.m. Continuing Medical Education seminar. "Best Practice in Preventive Primary Care: Evaluating and Managing Key Clinical Conditions." Cost: \$75 physicians, \$65 allied health professionals (includes breakfast and lunch). Eric P. Newman Education Center. 362-6891.

10 a.m. University College workshop. "Taking Charge of Your Career." Nancy Jones and Aimee Wittman, career development specialists. The Career Center. 935-6759.

Monday, Oct. 23

8 a.m. Syphilis update course. Sponsored by St. Louis STD/HIV Prevention Training Center. (Continues Oct. 24.) Room 601A Bernard Becker Medical Library. Cost: \$40. Registration required; call 747-0294.

Tuesday, Oct. 31

4 p.m. University Libraries program. Reading from "Three Essays: Reflections on the American Century" by Gerald Early, William H. Gass and Naomi Lebowitz. Co-sponsored by Arts & Sciences, American culture studies, School of Art, The Nancy Spirtas Kranzberg Studio for the Illustrated Book and Special Collections, University Libraries. Holmes Lounge, Ridgley Hall (reception following). RSVP by Oct. 26, 935-8003.

9 p.m. Halloween coffee house. Costumes welcome. Co-sponsored by the Catholic Student Center student council and Galleros. Catholic Student Center, 6352 Forsyth Blvd. 935-9191.

Sports Section

Team's byword is 'comeback'

The volleyball team wrapped up its second tournament title of the season with a 4-0 weekend at the Benedictine University Invitational in Lisle, Ill. The Bears' byword for the weekend was "comeback" as they displayed three solid come-from-behind wins, including one against Wisconsin-River Falls, ranked 11th nationally by the American Volleyball Coaches Association.

The Bears began the weekend with an easy 3-0 victory over St. Norbert College (Wis.). After manhandling St. Norbert in the first two games, 15-6 and 15-4, WU

came back from a 13-4 deficit in the third and final game for a 16-14 win to take the match in three. WU pulled off another game-three comeback against Augustana College (Ill.) in the second match Oct. 13.

It was game three that provided the toughest test of the weekend, as the Bears tangled with Wisconsin-River Falls. WU prevailed, coming back from a two-games-to-one disadvantage. WU wrapped up the title with a convincing 3-0 win over Pomona-Pitzer Colleges (Calif.).

Men's soccer wins

The men's soccer team continued its up-and-down season this week, this time on the upswing. The Bears pulled out a 1-0 win over

local rival Webster University Oct. 12, to push their overall record to 7-5 on the season. Mark Gister scored off an assist from James Ward.

Runners top DePauw

The women's cross country team continued to impress this past weekend, taking a first-place finish at the DePauw University Invitational in Greencastle, Ind.

The women were led again by Susan Chou, her fourth-straight week as the Bears' top runner. She finished in second place with a time of 19 minutes, 46 seconds. Beth Peterson finished seconds behind Chou for a third-place showing on the 5,000-meter course.

The men scored a strong

second-place finish. Pat MacDonald took medalist honors with a time of 27:10.0. Freshman Matt Hoelle took third place with a time of 27:53.0 for the 8,000-meter course.

Football Bears beat Carnegie Mellon U.

Freshman placekicker Jonathan Feig tied the single-season record with his 10th field goal of the year, and the defense surrendered just 179 yards of total offense as the Bears posted a 20-3 homecoming victory over Carnegie Mellon University Saturday, Oct. 14. The Bears scored first as they drove 47 yards in eight plays, capped by a Mike Henrichs 4-yard TD run, to take a 7-0 lead in the first quarter. After Feig's first field goal made it

10-0 midway through the second quarter, Carnegie Mellon got its only points on a 32-yard field goal just before halftime. Feig added his record-tying field goal with 7:25 left in the fourth quarter, and Jeff Dorman caught an 11-yard TD pass from Brian Tatom with 1:11 left in the game.

Women drop two

The week started strong for the women's soccer team as the Bears downed Illinois Wesleyan University 2-1 in Bloomington Oct. 10, but WU wasn't as fortunate on a two-game trip to Chicago, losing to the College of St. Benedict (Minn.) Saturday at the University of Chicago and to No. 7 Macalester College (Minn.) the following day.

University's leaders enjoy 'Brown Hall' debate

BY TERESA A. NAPPIER

While the Athletic Complex hosted its town hall meeting, the east side of the Hilltop Campus held its own special event, a "Brown Hall meeting." Gathering for a pre-debate box dinner, pre- and post-debate commentary from noted faculty, and, of course, the debate itself were some 365 special guests — members of the Board of Trustees, Alumni Board of Governors, Eliot Society, national councils and deans of the schools.

The presidential candidates were not the only ones talking during the evening. With dinner, guests received a "Food-for-Debate!" card — each stating a position on a topic of national interest. Examples included "The Economy: The Free Market Position," "The Environment: Put Environmental Protection in Perspective" and "The Federal Budget: Attend to Domestic Problems." An invitation to discuss these topics with others was also on the card — and some lively discussions ensued.

After dinner, guests filed from their "classrooms" into Brown Auditorium, where a panel of Arts & Sciences faculty members offered them additional food for thought. James W. Davis, Ph.D., professor of political science; Steven M. Fazzari, Ph.D.,



Faculty experts brief members of the Board of Trustees, the Alumni Board of Governors, the Eliot Society, national councils and deans on issues during a debate event Oct. 17 in Brown Hall.

professor and chair of economics; Itai Sened, Ph.D., associate professor of political science; and Murray L. Weidenbaum, Ph.D., the Edward Mallinckrodt Distinguished University Professor of economics, spoke to the guests about the relevancy of debates and introduced their thoughts about what might happen during the debate.

"Essentially [we are here] to provide some guidance in

evaluating the debate we're about to see," Weidenbaum said.

Sened added: "As you know, what is going on in the Middle East will have important effects on what will go on in the United States and other parts of the world in the near future. ... I look forward to seeing whether these candidates will address this issue."

Davis noted that this would be the last time the candidates would be addressing a national

audience. "Both would be playing simply not to lose — which wouldn't necessarily lead to an exciting debate," he said.

Prepped for the debate, the audience was ready when the lights went down. The candidates appeared larger than life on the auditorium's big screen, and everyone was attentive during the hour-and-a-half event. Guests seemed especially ready for post-debate commentary.

"Debates are not about informing us," Davis remarked. "They are about candidates getting votes."

After a 40-minute question-and-answer session, the evening came to a close.

"The event was very well organized," said Eliot Society member Wayne Hudgins, a 1950 alumnus. "Both Anabel [his wife] and I really appreciate it. All the comments I've heard from others have been very favorable. The University has gone all out to make this a nice occasion for us."

William Van Cleve, J.D. '93, former vice chairman of the Board of Trustees, enjoyed the evening, though he wanted to know who won the presidential debate in Brown. He said, "I wanted Jim [Davis] to take a vote of the people here. ... And let them count and tell us who won the debate."

Although no votes were tallied, everyone who attended the event was a winner.

While heading for an exit, each guest received a commemorative debate poster and T-shirt, capping an unforgettable evening.

The guests of the "Brown Hall meeting" may not have gotten to ask questions of the presidential candidates, but they came away from the evening with one answer: It was indeed a special time to be at the University. Some even speculated on being back in four years.

University's scholars reflect on campaign's substantive issues

Numerous members of the Washington University faculty are engaged in research on topics at the heart of this fall's campaign issues. Jeff Smith, a doctoral candidate in political science in Arts & Sciences, has interviewed some of them for their insights and perspectives on the presidential race.

For more of their commentary, excerpted below, and for views of other faculty, visit the Web (debate.wustl.edu).

Campaign pits triangulator against activist

If elected president, Al Gore the activist and George W. Bush the triangulator would have much different ways of relating to Congress, according to Gary J. Miller, Ph.D., professor of political science in Arts & Sciences.

"In light of Gore's recent rhetoric, in particular his convention speech, it appears that a President Gore would be quite the activist," Miller said, "but he would need a Democratic Congress to pass all of those programs he's advocating."

If it's a President Bush, however, Miller predicts a more bipartisan effort toward more moderate goals. "Bush has stressed his ability to work in a bipartisan manner as governor of Texas, where the state legislature is overwhelmingly Democratic — and frankly, with the endorsement of dozens of Texas Democrats, he has a decent case to make."

Bush, Gore both disappoint on urban education

Take a close look at education reform proposals touted by presidential candidates Bush and

Gore, and neither does much to address the problems of poor, inner-city public schools, according to Garrett A. Duncan, Ph.D., assistant professor of education and African and Afro-American studies in Arts & Sciences.

Democratic candidate Gore's calls for the federal government to be a "gatherer of revenues" for public schools is a way to appear to be involved in local education without really being involved, Duncan contended. "Gore's focus on revenue will have minimal impact on local education as it steers the government clear of its most important function, that being securing the rights of those without the power to secure them for themselves," he said.

Duncan finds similar fault with Republican nominee Bush's vouchers. "Bush seeks to provide the state unprecedented levels of autonomy in determining how federal money is spent and in setting strict improvement guidelines for failing schools," Duncan said. "But part of the federal government's role in education is to monitor and check practices that result in ... the vast disparities in conditions among American public schools."

Parties' positions on environment show base shifts

William R. Lowry, Ph.D., associate professor of political science in Arts & Sciences, is co-author of a forthcoming research paper documenting stark differences between the two parties on environmental issues — a divergence he attributes to regional shifts in the Republican Party's electoral base.

"A generation ago, many Republicans supported environmental protection," Lowry said. "In fact, some, such as Nelson Rockefeller and John

Chafee, were known for their staunch commitment."

But the late 20th-century shift in the party's base — from the Northeast to the South and Mountain West — has mitigated its commitment, Lowry contended.

Based on his research, Lowry offers several proposals important for the environment:

- Continuing to set aside key pieces of environmentally sensitive land as national parks and/or monuments;
- Reforming the 1872 Mining Act, which allows companies engaged in mineral extraction to pay just pennies per acre to mine public lands, and raising grazing fees on public lands;
- Expanding use of market-based environmental initiatives, such as the use of "pollution permits" that affluent nations can purchase from developing countries.

Election's impact on Supreme Court to be far-reaching

Stark differences can be expected in the philosophies of Supreme Court justices appointed by the two main presidential candidates, according to Lee Epstein, Ph.D., the Edward Mallinckrodt Distinguished University Professor of Political Science in Arts & Science and professor of law.

In order for judicial appointments to have a major effect on the court's direction, Epstein noted, the court must be narrowly divided on several key issues. And according to her issue-by-issue analysis, it is narrowly divided indeed.

Said Epstein: "We have a situation in which one or two new appointees could make huge differences in the law. These two candidates have the potential to leave important legacies."

According to Epstein, the election could drastically reshape the court's stance on affirmative

action, church-state separation and school vouchers. Then there's abortion. "Essentially, three justices support choice, three justices don't, and three are somewhere in between," Epstein explained. "The key is [Sandra Day] O'Connor. If she were to leave, I think the middle would fall apart. [David H.] Souter would drift toward Roe. ... and [Anthony M.] Kennedy to overturn Roe." In that case, a new appointee by either candidate could lead to "drastic changes in the abortion right," Epstein said.

Lieberman adds to religion's role in national race

The selection of Sen. Joseph Lieberman as a vice-presidential candidate brings into focus issues of personal faith and separation of church and state. But it may have small political impact, according to Hillel J. Kieval, Ph.D., the Gloria M. Goldstein Professor of Jewish History and Thought and director of the Jewish Studies Program in Arts & Sciences.

"At the very least, the selection of Senator Joseph Lieberman as the Democrats' vice-presidential nominee seems to have energized Jews who are already likely to vote Democratic. Also, conservative Jews may be more likely to vote Democratic out of a sense that Lieberman is bringing a sort of 'moral center' to the ticket," Kieval said.

Many observers of American politics initially hypothesized that the selection of an Orthodox Jew might hurt Gore in areas of the country where Jews are scarce and anti-Semitism still exists. Clearly, this prediction has not come true.

"Precisely because Lieberman is observant is why he's OK with people," Kieval maintained. "People could very easily have

pegged a secular Jew as a radical, a throwback, someone who spurns old-fashioned American values. Lieberman's piety helps him avoid this stereotype; it marks him as 'one of us,' someone who shares people's basic values."

Conventional view of 'gender gap' sparks skepticism

Lisa A. Baldez, Ph.D., assistant professor of political science in Arts & Sciences and an expert on women's issues, has a rather distinctive take on the much-heralded American political phenomenon dubbed the "gender gap."

"Everyone — from the pundits to the political strategists — suggests that women are the target audience of this election," Baldez said. "I question their logic. Research that I've seen shows that the exodus of men — much more so than the addition of women — has driven the so-called gender gap in the last two decades."

Baldez is skeptical about the media focus on the gender gap. "In some respects, it is a bit insulting," she said, referring to the pundits' attribution of Gore's surge to the kiss that he planted on his wife Tipper.

However, Baldez added, "the increasing focus on issues that the strategists believe women care about is a positive development — it shows that politicians are at least attempting to appeal to women. On the other hand, by repeating ad nauseam that education and family values and health care are 'women's issues,' ... you tend to exaggerate the stereotype of women as 'softer, caring types' who are unconcerned about other important issues such as defense or taxes."